

CHAPTER 122

(House Bill 1221)

AN ACT concerning

Youth Suicide Prevention School Programs

FOR the purpose of establishing a youth suicide prevention school program administered by the Department of Education in cooperation with local education agencies and other appropriate community agencies; requiring the Department to establish a certain demonstration youth suicide prevention school program in certain political subdivisions by a certain date; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; providing a description of the services to be provided in a youth suicide prevention school program; requiring that certain funds be included in the budgets of certain agencies; requiring youth service bureaus to provide certain services to address youth suicide prevention; and generally relating to a youth suicide prevention school program.

BY adding to

Article - Education

Section 7-4A-01 through 7-4A-06 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 4A. Youth Suicide Prevention School Programs"

Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1985 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 6-122

Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1982 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, The youth of society represents the hope for the future; and

WHEREAS, The rate of youth suicide has increased more than threefold in the last two decades; and

WHEREAS, Over 5,000 young Americans took their lives last year, including over 100 young people in Maryland, many more attempted suicide, and large numbers of families were affected; and