

WHEREAS, The State has a stake in the well-being of children, and

WHEREAS, State regulation of day-care facilities and services should enhance the health, safety, and well-being of children receiving care outside of their own homes, now, therefore,

SECTION 1, BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article --- Family Law

PART VII: INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON DAY CARE FACILITIES AND SERVICES

5-570.

IN THIS PART VII OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED:

(1) -- "COUNCIL" MEANS THE INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON DAY CARE FACILITIES AND SERVICES.

(2) -- "DAY CARE FACILITIES AND SERVICES" INCLUDES:

(i) -- A FAMILY DAY CARE HOME AS DEFINED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

(ii) -- "FAMILY DAY CARE" AS DEFINED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;

(iii) -- A "GROUP DAY CARE CENTER" AS DEFINED UNDER TITLE 14 OF THE HEALTH GENERAL ARTICLE;

(iv) -- A CHILD CARE HOME REQUIRED TO BE LICENSED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE OR UNDER TITLE 6 OF THE HEALTH GENERAL ARTICLE;

(v) -- A CHILD CARE INSTITUTION REQUIRED TO BE LICENSED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE OR UNDER TITLE 6 OF THE HEALTH GENERAL ARTICLE;

(vi) -- A CHILD CARE PROGRAM LOCATED IN OR OPERATED BY A PUBLIC SCHOOL AS DEFINED IN TITLE 1 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE;

(vii) -- A CHILD CARE PROGRAM LOCATED IN OR OPERATED BY A PRIVATE OR NONPUBLIC SCHOOL REQUIRED TO REPORT ANNUALLY TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION UNDER TITLE 2 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE;