

~~include--certain--costs--so--that--sufficient--staff--may--be  
employed--to--coordinate--the--individual--support--services;  
requiring--the--Individual--Support--Services--Program--to--be--made  
available---to--certain--eligible--persons; requiring that  
eligible persons selected for services be informed of  
individual support services and encouraged to use those  
services prior to being offered certain other services;  
defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Family  
Support Services Program and the Individual Support Services  
Program.~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General  
Section 7-703(a) and 7-704  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1982 Volume and 1986 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health - ~~Environmental~~ General  
Section ~~7-269 through 7-271~~ 7-706 through 7-708 to be under  
the new part "Part ~~IX~~ III. Individual Support  
Services Programs Program"  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1982 Volume and 1986 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

7-703.

(a) (1) There is a Family Support Services Program.

(2) The Administration shall contract with private nonprofit community based organizations for the provision of family support services IN EACH COUNTY OR-REGION OF THE STATE.

~~(3) (i) --THE PROGRAM SHALL BE GRANT FUNDED AND EXEMPT FROM THE STATE PROCUREMENT PROCESS AS DEFINED IN DIVISION II OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.~~

~~(ii) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL BASE THE AMOUNT OF A GRANT TO A COUNTY OR-REGION UPON THE NEEDS OF THE ELIGIBLE FAMILIES IN EACH LOCALITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DATA AVAILABLE THROUGH THE FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES CONSORTIUM PROJECT FOR LOCALITIES OF COMPARABLE SIZE.~~

7-704.