

Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Volume and 1986 Supplement)

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

Article - Family Law

2-404.

(a) (1) The fee for a license is \$10.

(2) The clerk shall:

(i) retain \$5 of the fee; and

(ii) pay \$5 of the fee into the general fund of the county.

(b) (1) Any county or group of 2 or more counties may set an additional fee of up to \$25 for each license.

(2) The proceeds shall be used to fund domestic violence programs.

(d) In [Baltimore and] Howard [counties] COUNTY:

(1) the County Council may set by resolution an additional fee of up to \$15 for each license;

(2) the clerk shall pay the proceeds from the additional fee to the Director of Finance of the county each month;

(3) the proceeds, in addition to designated federal, State, and county funds, shall be used to fund battered spouse shelters and domestic violence programs established under Title 4, Subtitle 5 of this article; and

(4) the County Executive shall prepare and make available an annual report on or before December 1 of each year on the disposition of fees collected under this subsection during the previous fiscal year.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act ~~shall take effect July 1, 1987~~ is declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, it shall take effect from the date of its passage.