

CHAPTER 157

(House Bill 3)

AN ACT concerning

Adoptive Parent - Access to Medical and Dental Records

FOR the purpose of prohibiting, subject to a certain exception, denial of access by an adoptive parent to medical or dental records of an adopted minor.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Family Law
Section 5-329
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Volume and 1987 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Family Law
Section 5-329.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Volume and 1987 Supplement)

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

Article - Family Law

5-329.

(a) (1) On petition by an adopted individual, a court shall order that part of a court record or adoption agency record containing needed medical information to be opened to inspection by the individual if the court finds that the individual needs the medical information for the health of the individual or a blood relative of the individual.

(2) In the case of an adoption agency record, the court may not grant the petition unless the adoption agency has refused to release the medical information.

(b) The court may not order opened for inspection any part of a record that contains any information that reveals the location or identity of the individual's natural parents.

5-329.1.