CHAPTER 231

(House Bill 718)

AN ACT concerning

Regional Institutes for Children and Adolescents -Comparability

FOR the purpose of extending the date by which the Regional Institutes for Children and Adolescents in Baltimore, Montgomery, and Prince George's Counties must be comparable in program and facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General Section 10-406.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (1982 Volume and 1988 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

10-406.1.

- (a) The Regional Institutes for Children and Adolescents in Baltimore, Montgomery, and Prince George's counties shall be comparable in programs and facilities by July 1, [1989] 1991.
- (b) The facilities and programs of an institute may not be reduced to achieve comparability.
- (c) In no event shall the level of State funding provided or number of positions authorized to any Regional Institute for Children and Adolescents be reduced in order to attain comparability.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1989.

Approved May 5, 1989.