

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

Approved May 19, 1989.

CHAPTER 327

(Senate Bill 221)

AN ACT concerning

Juvenile Causes - Confidentiality of Records

FOR the purpose of permitting access to and the use of juvenile court records pertaining to a child in certain court proceedings to certain authorized personnel of the Department of Human Resources for certain purposes; providing that information obtained by certain authorized personnel of the Department of Human Resources is subject to certain requirements; and generally relating to confidentiality of juvenile court records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3-828(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

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

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

3-828.

(b) (1) A juvenile court record pertaining to a child is confidential and its contents may not be divulged, by subpoena or otherwise, except by order of the court upon good cause shown.

(2) This subsection does not prohibit access to and the use of the court record in a proceeding in the court involving the child, by personnel of the court, the State's Attorney, counsel for the child, ~~{ or }~~ authorized personnel of the Juvenile Services Agency, OR, IN A PROCEEDING INVOLVING A CHILD ALLEGED TO BE IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE, BY AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION AND LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES IN ORDER TO CONDUCT A CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT