(1990 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

10-901.

- (a) (1) The Secretary shall adopt rules and regulations that set standards for:
- (i) Eligibility for State funding of local mental health programs under Part I of this subtitle;
- (ii) Qualifications of staff and quality of professional services of eligible programs; [and]
 - (iii) Eligibility for receiving services under eligible programs; AND
- (IV) ACCREDITATION OF A FACILITY AS DÉFINED IN § 10-101(E) OF THIS TITLE.
- (2) THE SECRETARY MAY CONSIDER ACCREDITATION BY THE JOINT COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATIONS (JCAHO) OR THE COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF REHABILITATION FACILITIES (CARF), WHICHEVER IS APPROPRIATE, AS MEETING THE RULES AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.
 - [(2)](3) The rules and regulations shall ensure:
- (i) That an individual is not discriminated against based on an inability to pay for services; and
- (ii) That an individual is not discriminated against or denied community-based mental health services based on the individual's lack of a fixed address or because the individual is homeless.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993.

Approved April 26, 1993.

CHAPTER 188

(House Bill 1393)

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages - Licenses, (Partnerships)

FOR the purpose of specifying certain requirements for partnerships that apply for and