SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993, and shall be applicable to the estates of persons who die on or after October 1, 1993.

Approved May 27, 1993.

## **CHAPTER 417**

(Senate Bill 224)

AN ACT concerning

## State Facilities - Change in Use, Purpose, or Function - Notice

FOR the purpose of prohibiting principal departments of the Executive Branch of State government from changing the use, purpose, or function of <u>certain</u> State facilities without giving certain notice and holding a public hearing; requiring principal departments to hold certain hearings and to provide certain notice under certain eircumstances requiring a principal department to give certain notice before it leases or purchases land, buildings, or office space for certain purposes; authorizing a member of the General Assembly to request a principal department to hold a public hearing under certain circumstances; requiring a principal department to hold a public hearing on the request of a member of the General Assembly under certain circumstances and give certain notice of the hearing; requiring a principal department to hold a public hearing and give certain notice of the hearing if it plans to recommence operation of a State facility under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the requirement that principal departments provide notice of changes in the use, purpose, or function of State facilities.

BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 8-306

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1984 Volume and 1992 Supplement)

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

## Article - State Government

8-306.

- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANING INDICATED.
- (2) (I) "CHANGE THE USE, PURPOSE, OR FUNCTION" MEANS AN ABRUPT AND MATERIAL CHANGE IN THE TYPE OF CLIENTS OR INMATES SERVED IN A FACILITY, THE LICENSED PURPOSE OF A FACILITY, OR THE PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT WITHIN A FACILITY.