CHAPTER 175

(Senate Bill 428)

AN ACT concerning

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Treatment - Minors - Repeal of Termination Date

FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date for certain provisions of law related to the capacity of a minor to refuse treatment for drug abuse or alcohol abuse.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 8-502.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article -- Health -- General

Section 20–102(c) and (c-1)

Annotated Code of Marvland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 494 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1992

Section 2

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

Article - Health - General

8-502.1.

- (a) A parent or guardian of the person of a minor may apply, on behalf of the minor, for admission of the minor to a certified inpatient alcohol and drug abuse program or facility under this section.
- (b) A program or facility may not admit an individual under this section unless the program or facility has determined that:
- (1) The individual has an alcohol or other drug dependency that necessitates the level of care provided by the program or facility;
 - (2) The individual would benefit from treatment;