- (8) MAY PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL AND ACADEMIC SUPPORT TO DISRUPTIVE YOUTH.
- (D) AN INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP OPERATING A VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM IN THE STATE SHALL BE ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT TO THE CENTER:
  - (1) A WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM; AND
- (2) ANY OTHER INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PROGRAM REQUIRED BY THE CENTER.
- (E) (1) AN INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP MAY SUBMIT A REQUEST TO THE CENTER FOR INFORMATION ON ANY VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM OPERATING IN THE STATE OR AVAILABLE TO THE STATE.
- (2) ON REQUEST, THE CENTER SHALL DISTRIBUTE INFORMATION RELATING TO A VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM WITH REASONABLE PROMPTNESS.
  - (F) THE OPERATION OF THE CENTER SHALL BE SUPPORTED BY FUNDS:
- (1) AS PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNOR IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY; AND
  - (2) FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE.

SECTION 2.—AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that State general funds may not be used to establish or operate the State Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution and Violence Prevention or a violence prevention program at Bowie State University.

SECTION 3. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1996.

Approved May 23, 1996.

## CHAPTER 595

(Senate Bill 711)

AN ACT concerning

## Permanency for Children in Out-of-Home Placements

FOR the purpose of establishing certain hearings in the juvenile court for children adjudicated to be in need of assistance in order to review the implementation of a permanency placement plan for children in need of assistance committed under a certain provision of the juvenile causes law; requiring the juvenile court to make certain determinations regarding the future status of children in placement, the services they will need for transition to independent living, the necessity for continuing the out-of-home commitment, and the need for placement for adoption;