

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

Approved May 23, 1996.

CHAPTER 670

(Senate Bill 272)

AN ACT concerning

Alcohol and Drug Abuse Treatment – Inmates – State Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring that ~~certain~~ inmates ~~in State or local correctional facilities~~ who have an alcohol or drug dependence be placed in treatment programs under specified circumstances; making a certain exception; requiring that certain procedures and standards be subject to certain regulations; requiring the State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to submit a certain report by a certain date to certain persons; requiring the State to provide funding for the provision of alcohol *abuse* and drug abuse treatment under specified circumstances; requiring the phasing in of certain funding provisions of this Act in a certain manner over a certain period of time; defining certain terms; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, and the Department of Juvenile Justice to conduct certain studies and present certain reports; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to State funding for alcohol *abuse* and drug abuse treatment of inmates ~~in State and local correctional facilities.~~

~~BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,~~

~~Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings~~

~~Section 3-820(c)~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

~~(1995 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)~~

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 8-6A-01 and 8-6A-02 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 6A. Alcohol Abuse and Drug Abuse Treatment for Inmates”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, Many studies have indicated that substance abuse constitutes one of the major contributing factors to criminal activity, including violent crimes and property crimes; and