

relating to establishing a Community Services Trust Fund.

BY adding to

Article 41 – Governor – Executive and Administrative Departments

Section 18-205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1993 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 7-206 and 10-208

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

BY repealing

Chapter 401 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994

Section 2

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 401 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1994

Section 3

Preamble

WHEREAS, As of January 1, 1996, the Developmental Disabilities Administration reports a waiting list of 4,986 individuals awaiting community services; and

WHEREAS, The Mental Hygiene Administration estimates that there are hundreds of individuals presently confined to institutions only because more appropriate community-based services are not available to them; and

WHEREAS, In 1994, the General Assembly passed legislation establishing a Waiting List Equity Fund in the Developmental Disabilities Administration and a Mental Hygiene Community-Based Services Fund in the Mental Hygiene Administration; and

WHEREAS, The establishment of a community services trust fund would be the logical vehicle to provide a source of annual funding to the Waiting List Equity Fund and the Mental Hygiene Community-Based Services Fund, resulting in additional moneys to serve individuals on the waiting lists for community services ~~on the lists~~ of the Development Disabilities Administration and the Mental Hygiene Administration; now, therefore,

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