

(III) THE CONSIDERATION MAY INCLUDE PAYMENT IN CASH OR EXCHANGE OF PRIVATELY OR PUBLICLY OWNED LAND.

~~(8)~~ (8) THE NOTIFICATION AND DISPOSITION PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO A CONVEYANCE MADE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

(9) LAND CONVEYED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO LOCAL ZONING LAWS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997.

Approved May 8, 1997.

CHAPTER 526

(House Bill 1178)

AN ACT concerning

Task Force to Study HIV Exposure in Maryland Correctional Facilities

FOR the purpose of requiring the appointment of a Task Force to Study HIV Exposure in Maryland Correctional Facilities to conduct a study concerning the issues related to HIV exposure in Maryland correctional facilities; providing for the composition of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to submit a certain report by a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to requiring the appointment of a Task Force to conduct a study on HIV in Maryland correctional facilities.

Preamble

WHEREAS, The law pertaining to required testing when a correctional employee is exposed to inmate bodily fluids presently requires testing for HIV only when the exposure is in connection with the inmate's violation of an institutional regulation and requires that the inmate be found guilty of the regulation infraction; and

WHEREAS, The reality of the correctional environment is that correctional employees interact with inmates in a variety of situations. Exposure to bodily fluids could result from recreational accidents, illness, or inmate work-related injuries, to name a few situations. Hence, exposure to bodily fluids may result often from situations other than regulation infractions. Furthermore, due to the close proximity in which correctional employees often must work with high medical risk inmate populations, the probability of staff contact with contaminated bodily fluids from inmates is great; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That: