

[(4)](3) To hold parents of children found to be DELINQUENT OR in need of assistance OR SUPERVISION responsible, where possible, for remedying the circumstances that required the court's intervention;

[(1)](4) To provide for the care, protection, and wholesome mental and physical development of children ~~coming within the provisions of this subtitle~~ ~~IN-NEED OF ASSISTANCE OR SUPERVISION~~; and to provide for a program of treatment, training, and rehabilitation consistent with the child's best interests and the protection of the public interest;

[(3)](5) To conserve and strengthen the child's family ties and to separate a child from his parents only when necessary for his welfare or in the interest of public safety;

[(5)](6) If necessary to remove a child from his home, to secure for him custody, care, and discipline as nearly as possible equivalent to that which should have been given by his parents; and

[(6)](7) To provide judicial procedures for carrying out the provisions of this subtitle.

(b) This subtitle shall be liberally construed to effectuate these purposes.

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

Approved May 8, 1997.

CHAPTER 533

(House Bill 1251)

AN ACT concerning

**Crimes - Reckless Endangerment - ~~Law Enforcement Officers and Security Guards~~
Limitation of Exceptions**

FOR the purpose of ~~eliminating conduct involving a law enforcement officer or security guard in the performance of the officer's or security guard's official duty from the~~ limiting to certain circumstances certain types of conduct that do not constitute reckless endangerment; and generally relating to reckless endangerment.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section 12A-2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume)

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