

CHAPTER 539**(Senate Bill 289)**

AN ACT concerning

Residential Educational Facilities - Licensing

FOR the purpose of requiring a person to be licensed by the Social Services Administration of the Department of Human Resources before the person may operate a residential educational facility on or after a certain date; authorizing the Department of Human Resources to adopt regulations relating to the licensing of residential educational facilities; providing that a residential educational facility may not be required to obtain a license from more than one State agency; authorizing any State agency authorized to license residential educational facilities to make certain cooperative arrangements with any other State agency; providing for the construction and application of this Act; defining a certain term; altering a certain term; and generally relating to licensing of residential educational facilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Family Law

Section 5-501 and 5-506

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article - Family Law

Section 5-509.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume)

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

Article - Family Law

5-501.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) "Administration" means the Social Services Administration of the Department.

(c) "Child placement agency" has the meaning stated in § 5-301 of this title.

(d) "Day care provider" means the adult who has primary responsibility for the operation of a family day care home.

(e) "Family day care" means the care given to a child under the age of 13 years or to any developmentally disabled person under the age of 21 years of age, in place of