subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly and the Legislative Policy Committee on or before November 30, 2000.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2000. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of November 30, 2000, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

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

- (1) The Schaefer Center for Public Policy at the University of Baltimore, Baltimore City, is directed to study and review Federal and State law and hospital policies, procedures, and requirements related to credentialing to ensure that there is adequate opportunity for redress of the complaints of physicians, nurse anesthetists, nurse midwives, and social workers relating to exclusion by hospitals and credentialing organizations;
 - (2) Funding for the study shall be as provided in the State budget; and
- (3) The Schaefer Center for Public Policy shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly and the Legislative Policy Committee within 60 days of completion of the study.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2000. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of November 30, 2000, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved May 18, 2000.

CHAPTER 520

(Senate Bill 335)

AN ACT concerning

Income Tax - Credit for Child and Dependent Care Expenses

FOR the purpose of altering the calculation of a certain credit allowed against the State income tax for certain child and dependent care expenses; altering certain income levels determining eligibility for the credit and the amount of the credit allowed; altering certain income levels determining eligibility for the eredit and the amount of the credit allowed; making the credit refundable under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the State income tax credit for child and dependent care expenses.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Tax - General