

PROCEDURES ADOPTED FOR PREVENTING A MINOR FROM OBTAINING INTERNET ACCESS TO OBSCENE MATERIALS THROUGH THE LIBRARY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

Approved April 25, 2000.

CHAPTER 10

(House Bill 15)

AN ACT concerning

Circuit Courts - Business and Technology Division

FOR the purpose of stating the intent of the General Assembly that business and technology matters be treated in a particular manner in the judicial system; ~~that a certain number of business and technology divisions be established in circuit courts throughout the State, and that the judges of the business and technology division have certain experience and training; authorizing the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals to establish business and technology divisions in certain circuit courts; requiring the Chief Judge to consult with the administrative judge of the county before establishing a business and technology division in a circuit court; requiring a judge assigned to the business and technology division to devote full time and attention to matters under the jurisdiction of the division, unless the administration of justice requires otherwise; requiring the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals to develop a certain plan and that the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals consider, based on a certain study, the feasibility of the establishment of a business and technology court division in the State; establishing a task force to study the creation of a business and technology division in appropriate circuit courts and issue a certain report by a certain date; providing that the report include certain input and information and be submitted to certain persons; providing for the membership of the task force; providing for the effective date of this Act; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the establishment of a task force to study and issue a certain report concerning the feasibility of the establishment of business and technology divisions in the circuit courts.~~

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

(a) ~~It~~ it is the intent of the General Assembly that:

(1) ~~Business~~ business and technology matters be treated efficiently and effectively in the judicial system; and

(2) ~~In order to enable the circuit courts to handle business and technology matters in the most coordinated, efficient, and responsive manner, the~~