CHAPTER 151

(Senate Bill 394)

AN ACT concerning

Juvenile Causes - Children in Need of Assistance - Hearings and Guardianship

FOR the purpose of altering certain terminology relating to certain hearings in child in need of assistance proceedings; altering the amount of time that a certain person can be placed at an inpatient facility under certain circumstances; requiring a local department of social services to provide a certain notification to notify the parents and their attorneys of certain decisions if a certain guardianship of a child is awarded to the local department; authorizing a court to dismiss a case instead of a petition in certain circumstances; clarifying that a certain hearing is called an emergency review placement hearing; clarifying when certain shelter care and emergency review placement hearings are required to be held; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to child in need of assistance proceedings.

BY renumbering

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3-819(e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), and (k), respectively

to be Section 3-819(f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l), respectively

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BY repealing

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3-801.1

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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3-801(c), 3-807(a)(4)(i), 3-816(b) and (c)(1), 3-817(a) and (b), 3-819(a) and (d), 3-820(d), (e), and (f), and 3-826(a)

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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 3-815(c)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

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