

CHAPTER 502

(House Bill 400)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act

FOR the purpose of repealing the Maryland Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act; adopting the Maryland Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act; establishing the general procedures for child custody proceedings under this Act; specifying the basis for jurisdiction over child custody matters; specifying the procedures for enforcing child custody determinations made under this Act; defining certain terms; making provisions of this Act severable; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the Maryland Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act.

BY repealing

Article - Family Law

Section 9-201 through 9-224, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 2. Maryland Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Family Law

Section 9.5-101 through 9.5-318, inclusive, to be under the new title "Title 9.5. Maryland Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 9-201 through 9-224, inclusive, and the subtitle "Subtitle 2. Maryland Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act" of Article - Family Law of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Family Law

TITLE 9.5. MARYLAND UNIFORM CHILD CUSTODY JURISDICTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT.

SUBTITLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

9.5-101.

(A) IN THIS TITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.