FOR the purpose of requiring the State Superintendent of Schools Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to establish and promote in certain schools a public awareness campaign related to self injury by cutting; providing for the components of the campaign authorizing the State Superintendent to use certain resources to carry out the provisions of this Act; provide awareness and training for certain individuals on self-mutilation; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide to the State Department of Education certain information and materials on self-mutilation; and generally relating to a public awareness campaign about self-injury by cutting awareness, training, and distribution of materials on self-mutilation.

BY adding to

Article – Education Section 7–426 Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 Replacement Volume)

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

## Article - Education

7-426.

- (A) (1) THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, SHALL PROVIDE AWARENESS AND TRAINING FOR DIRECTORS OF STUDENT SERVICES IN LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES ON SELF-MUTILATION, INCLUDING INJURY BY CUTTING.
- (B) THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE SHALL PROVIDE TO THE DEPARTMENT:
- (1) RESOURCE INFORMATION ON SELF-MUTILATION, INCLUDING INJURY BY CUTTING, TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO LOCAL SCHOOL SUPERVISORS OF HEALTH, COUNSELING, AND PSYCHOLOGY; AND
- (2) MATERIALS FOR DISTRIBUTION THAT DESCRIBE LOCAL, STATE, AND NATIONAL RESOURCES TO WHICH STUDENTS, PARENTS, COUNSELORS, AND SCHOOL PERSONNEL CAN REFER FOR INFORMATION ON SELF-MUTILATION, INCLUDING INJURY BY CUTTING. ESTABLISH AND PROMOTE