This bill extends the termination provisions relating to the requirement that State residential centers operated by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene provide respite care.

House Bill 1359, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 920.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley Governor

Senate Bill 920

AN ACT concerning

Individuals with Developmental Disabilities Respite Care – Sunset Repeal Extension

FOR the purpose of repealing extending the termination provisions relating to the requirement that State residential centers operated by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene provide respite care; and generally relating to respite care and individuals with developmental disabilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Chapter 178 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004 Section 4

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

Chapter 178 of the Acts of 2004

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004. It shall remain effective for a period of $\frac{5}{2}$ years and, at the end of September 30, $\frac{2007}{2009}$, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007.