

(3) Submits to the Commissioner a renewal application on the form that the Commissioner requires; and

(4) Files a bond or bond continuation certificate for the amount required under § 11-508 of this subtitle.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1991.

Approved April 30, 1991.

CHAPTER 67

(Senate Bill 16)

AN ACT concerning

~~For-Profit~~ Group Homes and Institutions - Foster Care Placement

FOR the purpose of authorizing the use of for-profit group homes and institutions for the placement of foster care children; imposing certain licensing requirements on group homes under certain circumstances; requiring a certain study and report by a certain date; and generally relating to foster care placements.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Family Law

Section 5-526(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1984 Volume and 1990 Supplement)

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

Article - Family Law

5-526.

(a) (1) The Department shall provide for the care, diagnosis, training, education, and rehabilitation of children by placing them in group homes and institutions that are operated by FOR-PROFIT OR nonprofit charitable corporations.

(2) ANY GROUP HOME UTILIZED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF §§ 5-507 THROUGH 5-509 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Human Resources shall, in consultation with the Maryland Association of Residential Facilities for Youth and other appropriate provider groups, study and report to the Environmental Matters Committee of the Maryland General Assembly by October 1, 1991 on the feasibility and