- (2)] (1) more than 8 children, of whom no more than [2] 4 may be under the age of 2 years; AND
- (2) AN ADULT TO CHILD RATIO OF AT LEAST 1 ADULT TO EVERY 2 CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 2 YEARS SHALL BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES.
- (c) If the Department determines that the group size provisions of subsection (b) of this section are unsuitable for a particular family day care home, the Department may decrease the number of children permitted to be in care at that family day care home.

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

Approved April 30, 1991.

## **CHAPTER 203**

(House Bill 520)

AN ACT concerning

## Public Service Commission - Energy Conservation

FOR the purpose of requiring each gas or electric company to develop and implement certain programs to encourage energy conservation; requiring the Public Service Commission to require a gas or electric company to establish certain programs; requiring the Commission to adopt certain rate-making policies to provide certain incentives for certain purposes; and generally relating to the development and implementation of programs to encourage energy conservation.

BY adding to

Article 78 - Public Service Commission Law

Section 28(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1988 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

## **Preamble**

WHEREAS, Maryland, like the rest of the nation, faces increasing demands for and consumption of energy in all sectors;

WHEREAS, Increased energy consumption has major adverse economic and environmental consequences, including the United States dependence on foreign supplies of petroleum products, increased emissions of carbon dioxide which cause global warming, increased emissions of hydrocarbons which cause ozone pollution, and increased emissions of sulfur and nitrogen oxides which cause acid precipitation;

WHEREAS, The General Assembly finds that meeting projected gas and electric