

BY adding to

Article – Family Law

Section 5-501(k), 5-554.1, and 5-580.1

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

5-501.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) “Administration” means the Social Services Administration of the Department.

(c) “Day care provider” means the adult who has primary responsibility for the operation of a family day care home.

(d) “Family day care” means the care given to a child under the age of 13 years or to any developmentally disabled person under the age of 21 years of age, in place of parental care for less than 24 hours a day, in a residence other than the child’s residence, for which the day care provider is paid.

(e) “Family day care home” means a residence in which family day care is provided.

(K) “UNREGISTERED FAMILY DAY CARE HOME” MEANS A RESIDENCE IN WHICH FAMILY DAY CARE IS PROVIDED AND IN WHICH THE DAY CARE PROVIDER:

(1) HAS NOT OBTAINED A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT;

(2) IS NOT RELATED BY BLOOD OR MARRIAGE TO EACH CHILD IN THE PROVIDER’S CARE;

(3) IS NOT A FRIEND OF EACH CHILD’S PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIAN AND IS PROVIDING CARE ON A REGULAR BASIS; AND

(4) HAS NOT RECEIVED THE CARE OF THE CHILD FROM A CHILD PLACEMENT AGENCY LICENSED BY THE ADMINISTRATION OR BY A LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

5-554.1.

(A) THE SECRETARY OR OTHER AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES MAY APPLY TO A JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT COURT OR A CIRCUIT COURT FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE SEARCH WARRANT TO ENTER ANY ~~REGISTERED OR~~