

qualifications of staff members working in licensed child care centers, registered family day care homes, and Head Start programs; the extent of in-service training of these staff members; the educational curriculum of these child care programs; the staff/child ratios in licensed child care centers, registered family day care homes, and Head Start programs; and the readiness of the children enrolled in these child care programs to enter first grade.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That § 7-301(f) of the Education Article as enacted by this Act shall take effect July 1, 1992. It shall remain effective for a period of 3 2 years, and at the end of July 1, 1995 1994, and with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That attendance in a half-day kindergarten program satisfies the requirements of this Act and nothing in this Act may be construed to require a county to provide full-day kindergarten.

SECTION 2, 4, 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1991 July 1, 1992.

Approved May 24, 1991.

CHAPTER 464

(Senate Bill 211)

AN ACT concerning

State Board for Community Colleges – Transfer of Powers and Duties

FOR the purpose of transferring certain authority, duties, and functions from the State Board for Community Colleges to the Maryland Higher Education Commission; repealing certain provisions establishing the State Board for Community Colleges; renumbering certain sections; providing the Maryland Higher Education Commission with a certain statewide responsibility; authorizing the Commission to administer a certain community college construction program; authorizing the Commission to perform certain functions and duties with respect to the community colleges; repealing certain sections referencing the State Board for Community Colleges; transferring certain duties and powers from the State Board for Community Colleges to the Maryland Higher Education Commission; transferring certain memberships to the Maryland Higher Education Commission; altering a certain definition; making certain technical corrections; providing for the transfer of rules and regulations, policies, certificates of approval, forms, plans, memberships, funds, appropriations, grants, contracts, property, proceedings, and rights; providing for a certain reference; providing for the severability of this Act; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the transfer of certain powers, duties, and functions from the State Board for Community Colleges to the Maryland Higher Education Commission.