

CHAPTER 40

(House Bill 214)

AN ACT concerning

Youth ~~Service~~ Services Bureaus – Fees

FOR the purpose of authorizing youth ~~service~~ services bureaus to charge fees established in a certain manner; providing that certain fees may be retained by youth services bureaus for certain purposes; providing for a certain exemption; and making this Act an emergency measure.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 83C – Juvenile Services

Section 2-122

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 83C – Juvenile Services

2-122.

(a) In this section, “youth services bureau” means a community-based entity that is operated:

(1) To provide community-oriented delinquency prevention, youth suicide prevention, drug and alcohol abuse prevention, and youth development;

(2) To ameliorate conditions that breed delinquency, youth suicide, drug and alcohol abuse, and family disruption; and

(3) To function as an advocate of youth needs.

(b) (1) The Department shall adopt rules and regulations that set eligibility guidelines for State funding of youth services bureaus under this section.

(2) The rules and regulations shall require that each State-aided youth services bureau:

(i) Provide, free of charge ~~OR AT AN ESTABLISHED RATE~~ A RATE ESTABLISHED BY EACH YOUTH SERVICES BUREAU'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT, THAT IS BASED UPON THE CLIENT'S FAMILY INCOME, at convenient hours:

1. Individual, family, and group counseling;
2. Referral and information services;