

HOUSE BILL 45
EMERGENCY BILL

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2002 Regular Session
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ENROLLED BILL
-- Ways and Means/Finance --

Introduced by **Delegates Shriver, Griffith, Shank, Healey, Carlson, Doory, and ~~Frush~~ Frush, Stocksdale, Taylor, Heller, Hixson, Franchot, Hurson, Rosenberg, Howard, Bartlett, Bohanan, Bozman, Conroy, Cryor, Finifter, Marriott, McKee, Patterson, Phillips, Rosso, and Rudolph**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER 491

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families - ~~Extension~~ Repeal**
3 **Extension of Sunset**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~extending~~ ~~repealing~~ *extending* the termination date of the Act
5 Acts that established the Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families;
6 making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Joint
7 Committee on Children, Youth, and Families.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article - State Government
10 Section 2-10A-06
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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2 Chapter 362 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999
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7 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
8 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

9 **Article - State Government**

10 2-10A-06.

11 (a) In this section, "conditions of well-being" means the desired results
12 identified by the Maryland Partnership for Children, Youth, and Families based upon
13 identified needs and used to improve quality.

14 (b) There is a Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families.

15 (c) The Committee consists of the following 20 members:

16 (1) from the Senate:

17 (i) the majority leader;

18 (ii) the minority leader; and

19 (iii) two members from each of the four standing committees; and

20 (2) from the House:

21 (i) the majority leader;

22 (ii) the minority leader; and

23 (iii) eight other Delegates appointed by the Speaker from among the
24 members of the House committees that deal with issues affecting children, youth, and
25 families.

26 (d) (1) Members of the Committee shall be appointed on the basis of
27 demonstrated ability and interest concerning issues affecting children, youth, and
28 families.

29 (2) In making appointments, the President and the Speaker shall
30 provide for representation from:

31 (i) the committees that deal with issues affecting children, youth,
32 and families; and

- 1 (ii) the major areas of the State.
- 2 (e) (1) (i) A member appointed by the President serves at the pleasure of
3 the President.
- 4 (ii) A member appointed by the Speaker serves at the pleasure of
5 the Speaker.
- 6 (2) (i) If a vacancy occurs among the Senators on the Committee, a
7 successor promptly shall be appointed by the President.
- 8 (ii) If a vacancy occurs among the Delegates on the Committee, a
9 successor promptly shall be appointed by the Speaker.
- 10 (f) (1) From among the membership of the Committee, the President shall
11 appoint a Senator to serve as the Senate chairman of the Committee and the Speaker
12 shall appoint a Delegate to serve as the House chairman of the Committee.
- 13 (2) The Senate chairman and the House chairman shall alternate
14 annually as presiding chairman and cochairman of the Committee.
- 15 (g) A majority of the full authorized membership of the Committee is a
16 quorum.
- 17 (h) The Department of Legislative Services, Office of Policy Analysis, shall
18 provide staff assistance to the Committee.
- 19 (i) The Committee shall hold:
- 20 (1) an organizational meeting promptly after the appointment of its
21 members; and
- 22 (2) any other meetings that the Committee considers necessary to carry
23 out its duties efficiently.
- 24 (j) The Committee may:
- 25 (1) hold a hearing on any matter relating to the functions of the
26 Committee; and
- 27 (2) consider a vote on a bill or resolution referred to it by the President or
28 the Speaker.
- 29 (k) In addition to any powers and duties set forth elsewhere, in an endeavor to
30 achieve conditions of well-being for Maryland children, youth, and families, the
31 Committee shall:
- 32 (1) investigate the problems that jeopardize the well-being of Maryland
33 children, youth, and families;

1 (2) identify State policies and actions that, in conjunction with public
2 and private partners and in support of families and communities, can work to achieve
3 conditions of well-being for Maryland children, youth, and families;

4 (3) review and make recommendations to align State statutes,
5 regulations, programs, services, and budgetary priorities with the State policies and
6 actions described in paragraph (2) of this subsection;

7 (4) search for any interdepartmental gaps, inconsistencies, and
8 inefficiencies in the implementation or attainment of the State policies and actions
9 described in paragraph (2) of this subsection;

10 (5) identify any new laws, regulations, programs, services, and
11 budgetary priorities that are needed to ensure and promote desired conditions of
12 well-being for Maryland children, youth, and families;

13 (6) serve as an informational resource for the Senate and the House on
14 legislative policy matters concerning children, youth, and families; and

15 (7) perform other activities, including improving public awareness of the
16 special needs of Maryland children, youth, and families.

17 (1) (1) Subject to § 2-1246 of this title, the Committee shall submit an
18 annual report to the General Assembly on or before December 1 of each year.

19 (2) The report shall include:

20 (i) a description of the work of the Committee; and

21 (ii) any recommendations of the Committee.

22 **Chapter 362 of the Acts of 1999**

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 June 1, 1999. It shall remain effective for a period of [3] 10 years AND 1 MONTH and,
25 at the end of [May 31, 2002] JUNE 30, 2009, with no further action required by the
26 General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect. It
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1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
2 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety,
3 has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members
4 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from
5 the date it is enacted.