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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Human Resources - Commingling Children Committed to**
3 **Department of Juvenile Services - Prohibition**

4 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of Human Resources from placing a
5 certain child in a group home or residential facility that also accepts children
6 committed to the custody or guardianship of the Department of Juvenile
7 Services after a certain date; and generally relating to the placement of children
8 committed to the Department of Human Resources.

9 BY adding to
10 Article - Family Law
11 Section 5-505
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2004 Replacement Volume)

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

16 **Article - Family Law**

17 5-505.

18 AFTER JANUARY 1, 2007, A CHILD COMMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT
19 BE PLACED IN A GROUP HOME OR RESIDENTIAL FACILITY THAT ALSO ACCEPTS
20 CHILDREN COMMITTED TO THE CUSTODY OR GUARDIANSHIP OF THE DEPARTMENT
21 OF JUVENILE SERVICES.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2005.