

HOUSE BILL 1428

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EMERGENCY BILL

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By: **Chair, Judiciary Committee (By Request - Departmental - Juvenile Services)**

Rules suspended

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Juvenile Services - Victor Cullen Center**

3 FOR the purpose of exempting the Victor Cullen Center from a requirement that
4 certain facilities be operated by the Department of Juvenile Services; making
5 this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the Department of
6 Juvenile Services and the operation of certain facilities.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article 83C - Juvenile Services
9 Section 2-117
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Chapter 431 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004
14 Section 6

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

17 **Article 83C - Juvenile Services**

18 2-117.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) (1) The Department may establish and operate the facilities that are
2 necessary to diagnose, care for, train, educate, and rehabilitate properly children who
3 need these services.

4 (2) These facilities include:

5 (i) The Baltimore City Juvenile Justice Center;

6 (ii) The J. DeWeese Carter Center;

7 (iii) The Charles H. Hickey, Jr. School;

8 (iv) The Alfred D. Noyes Children's Center;

9 (v) The Cheltenham Youth Facility;

10 (vi) The Victor Cullen Center;

11 (vii) The Thomas J. S. Waxter Children's Center;

12 (viii) The Lower Eastern Shore Children's Center;

13 (ix) The Western Maryland Children's Center; and

14 (x) The youth centers.

15 (b) Before the Department asks the General Assembly for a bond issue to
16 build or renovate a facility, the Department shall consult on the proposed construction
17 or renovation plans with the governing body of the county where the facility is to be
18 built or renovated and with the governing body of each county to be served.

19 **Chapter 431 of the Acts of 2004**

20 SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That by July 1, 2007, **EXCEPT**
21 **FOR THE VICTOR CULLEN CENTER**, each facility provided for in Article 83C, §
22 2-117(a)(2) of the Code shall be operated by the Department.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency
24 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety,
25 has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members
26 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from
27 the date it is enacted.