SENATE BILL 479

E3 7lr1526 HB 1344/05 – JUD By: Senator Zirkin Introduced and read first time: February 2, 2007 Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings A BILL ENTITLED AN ACT concerning Department of Human Resources - Commingling Children Committed to the **Department of Juvenile Services - Prohibition** FOR the purpose of prohibiting the Department of Human Resources from placing a certain child in a group home or residential facility that also accepts children committed to the custody or guardianship of the Department of Juvenile Services after a certain date; and generally relating to the placement of children committed to the Department of Human Resources. BY adding to Article - Family Law Section 5-505 Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 Replacement Volume) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: **Article - Family Law** 5-505. AFTER JANUARY 1, 2008, A CHILD COMMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT

MAY NOT BE PLACED IN A GROUP HOME OR RESIDENTIAL FACILITY THAT ALSO

ACCEPTS CHILDREN COMMITTED TO THE CUSTODY OR GUARDIANSHIP OF THE

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

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SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2007.