

(II) IF THE NOTICE WOULD DISCLOSE MATTER COMMUNICATED IN CONFIDENCE BY A CLIENT TO THE CLIENT'S ATTORNEY OR OTHER INFORMATION RELATING TO THE REPRESENTATION OF THE CLIENT; OR

(III) IN VIOLATION OF ANY CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO ASSISTANCE OF COUNSEL.

(3) A MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL, CLERGYMAN, OR PRIEST OF AN ESTABLISHED CHURCH OF ANY DENOMINATION IS NOT REQUIRED TO PROVIDE NOTICE UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IF THE NOTICE WOULD DISCLOSE MATTER IN RELATION TO ANY COMMUNICATION DESCRIBED IN § 9-111 OF THE COURTS ARTICLE AND:

(I) THE COMMUNICATION WAS MADE TO THE MINISTER, CLERGYMAN, OR PRIEST IN A PROFESSIONAL CHARACTER IN THE COURSE OF DISCIPLINE ENJOINED BY THE CHURCH TO WHICH THE MINISTER, CLERGYMAN, OR PRIEST BELONGS; AND

(II) THE MINISTER, CLERGYMAN, OR PRIEST IS BOUND TO MAINTAIN THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THAT COMMUNICATION UNDER CANON LAW, CHURCH DOCTRINE, OR PRACTICE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1988.

Approved May 27, 1988.

CHAPTER 770

(House Bill 1490)

AN ACT concerning

Family Law - Certain Notice Requirement - Exceptions

FOR the purpose of providing that certain persons are not required to provide notification of certain child abuse or neglect under specific circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Family Law
Section 5-705(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1984 Volume and 1987 Supplement)
(As enacted by Chapter 635 of the
Acts of the General Assembly of 1987)