

(d) (1) A child placement agency, child care home, [or] child care institution, OR RESIDENTIAL EDUCATIONAL FACILITY may not be required to obtain a license from more than 1 State agency.

(2) Any State agency authorized to license child placement agencies, child care homes, [or] child care institutions, OR RESIDENTIAL EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES may make cooperative arrangements with any other State agency to give effect to paragraph (1) of this subsection.

5-509.1.

(A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION AND SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2000, A PERSON SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE ADMINISTRATION BEFORE THE PERSON MAY OPERATE A RESIDENTIAL EDUCATIONAL FACILITY.

(B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY:

(1) TO A CHILD CARE HOME THAT HAS A LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE OR UNDER ARTICLE 83C, § 2-123 OF THE CODE;

(2) TO A CHILD CARE INSTITUTION THAT HAS A LICENSE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE OR UNDER ARTICLE 83C, § 2-124 OF THE CODE; OR

(3) TO AN INSTITUTION THAT ACCEPTS ONLY CHILDREN PLACED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE OR THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE.

(C) THIS SECTION DOES NOT AFFECT ANY REQUIREMENT THAT A RESIDENTIAL EDUCATIONAL FACILITY OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL FROM THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR ITS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

Approved May 27, 1999.

CHAPTER 540

(House Bill 271)

AN ACT concerning

Residential Educational Facilities - Licensing

FOR the purpose of requiring a person to be licensed by the Social Services Administration of the Department of Human Resources before the person may operate a residential educational facility on or after a certain date; authorizing the Department of Human Resources to adopt regulations relating to the licensing of residential educational facilities; providing that a residential educational facility may not be required to obtain a license from more than one