

## CHAPTER 639

(House Bill 967)

AN ACT concerning

## Homeless Individuals - Shelter and Nutrition Program

FOR the purpose of establishing a program to provide temporary shelter and nutrition services to certain homeless individuals to be administered by the Department of Human Resources; providing that ~~the--tax-on-cigarettes-shall-be increased-and-that-the-proceeds-shall-be-used--to--fund--the program;---directing---the---Comptroller--to--pay--over--and distribute-the-funds-to-the-Secretary-of-the--Department--of Human--Resources~~ certain funds shall be used to establish, administer, and operate the program; providing for termination of the program under certain conditions no later than a certain date; and generally relating to a shelter and nutrition program for certain homeless individuals.

BY adding to

Article 88A - Social Services Administration  
Section 131 through 134, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Shelter and Nutrition Program for Homeless Individuals"  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1979 Replacement Volume and 1982 Supplement)

~~BY-repealing-and-reenacting,-with-amendments,-~~

~~Article-81---Revenue-and-Taxes  
Section-433-and-469  
Annotated-Code-of-Maryland  
(1980-Replacement-Volume-and-1982-Supplement)~~

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

## Article 88A - Social Services Administration

## SHELTER AND NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS

131.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

(1) AN INCREASING NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS IN THE STATE ARE HOMELESS AND LACK PROPER NUTRITION;

(2) CURRENT STATE OPERATED PROGRAMS DO NOT ADEQUATELY ADDRESS THESE PROBLEMS; AND