

CHAPTER 209

FORMERLY

SENATE BILL NO. 323

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE DELAWARE HOSPITAL FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED, A FACILITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, TO THE STOCKLEY CENTER.

WHEREAS, many persons who give their time and help to the Delaware Hospital for the Mentally Retarded at Stockley believe that the official name of this facility should be changed to eradicate the connotation of mental illness or retardation; and

WHEREAS, the policy in recent years among the states has been to substitute new and non-connotative names for such institutions; and

WHEREAS, there is agreement among friends of the facility that a better name would be Stockley Center; and

WHEREAS, legislation making this the official name for the facility will provide the proper method of changing the present name.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. The name of the Hospital for the Mentally Retarded at Stockley, a facility of the Department of Health and Social Services, is changed to Stockley Center.

Section 2. After the effective date of this proposed Act all official references in law to this facility shall be Stockley Center.

Approved April 1, 1980