

Approved May 29, 1990.

CHAPTER 661

(House Bill 1187)

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – Rehabilitation Committees

FOR the purpose of establishing rehabilitation committees for certain purposes for audiologists, chiropractors, dental hygienists, dietitians, nutritionists, electrologists, morticians, nursing home administrators, occupational therapists, optometrists, podiatrists, professional counselors, psychologists, social workers, and speech-language pathologists; authorizing rehabilitation committees to function solely for their board or jointly with a rehabilitation committee representing another board or boards; providing for the composition of rehabilitation committees; providing certain powers and duties for a rehabilitation committee; granting rehabilitation committees certain immunity from certain civil liability under certain circumstances; providing that the proceedings, records, and files of a rehabilitation committee are not discoverable and not admissible in evidence in certain civil actions or certain arbitration proceedings; and generally relating to rehabilitation committees for certain health occupations.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 2-317, 3-406, ~~4-506~~, 4.5-314, 5-504, 6-407, 8-316, 9-318, 10-405, 15-403, 15.5-317, 16-316, 18-314, and 19-317

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1986 Replacement Volume and 1989 Supplement)

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

Article – Health Occupations

2-317.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, “AUDIOLOGIST REHABILITATION COMMITTEE” MEANS A COMMITTEE THAT:

(1) IS DEFINED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION; AND

(2) PERFORMS ANY OF THE FUNCTIONS LISTED IN SUBSECTION ~~(C)~~ (D) OF THIS SECTION.

(B) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, AN AUDIOLOGIST REHABILITATION COMMITTEE IS A COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OR A