

WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

PERMITTED TO PERFORM UNDER TITLE 16 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE SHALL INCLUDE IN ITS BYLAWS, RULES, OR REGULATIONS, PROVISIONS FOR USE OF FACILITIES BY AND STAFF PRIVILEGES FOR QUALIFIED PSYCHOLOGISTS.

(2) THE HOSPITAL OR RELATED INSTITUTION MAY RESTRICT USE OF FACILITIES AND STAFF PRIVILEGES BY PSYCHOLOGISTS TO THOSE PSYCHOLOGISTS WHO MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS THAT THE HOSPITAL OR RELATED INSTITUTION SETS FOR GRANTING THOSE PRIVILEGES.

(3) (I) NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO REQUIRE A HOSPITAL TO:

1. GRANT ADMITTING PRIVILEGES TO A PSYCHOLOGIST; OR

2. PERMIT THE EXERCISE OF THOSE PRIVILEGES GRANTED BY THE HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO PSYCHOLOGISTS WITHOUT APPROPRIATE COLLABORATION WITH THE PHYSICIAN WHO HAS PRIVILEGES TO ADMIT AND ATTEND PATIENTS IN THE UNIT OF THE FACILITY WHERE THE PATIENT IS BEING TREATED AND WHO HAS ONGOING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PATIENT.

(II) IN THE EVENT OF A DISAGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PSYCHOLOGIST AND THE PHYSICIAN CONCERNING THE PATIENT'S TREATMENT, THE DECISION OF THE PHYSICIAN WHO HAS ONGOING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PATIENT SHALL GOVERN.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1990.

May 29, 1990

The Honorable R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr.
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 157.

This bill exempts self-insured counties, boards of education, and municipal corporations, and self-insurance pools from making a deposit of security to the Uninsured Employers' Fund in an amount sufficient to cover a compensation claim by a county or municipal employee.