

Annotated Code of Maryland
(1972 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

Article 59A - Mental Retardation
Section 24
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1972 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 43 - Health
Section 601
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 59A - Mental Retardation
Section 25A
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1972 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 601 of Article 43 - Health, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed:

Article 43 - Health

[601.

(a) The unit for investigating the financial condition of the patient and his family, and for determining claims for the patient's care, all under this section and any applicable laws, rules and regulations, is the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the collection of delinquent accounts and debts shall be handled by the central collection unit created within the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning.

(b) For the purpose of determining the amount to be paid for chronic disease center care, it shall be the duty of the investigation unit to investigate the financial condition of such person and also the financial condition of any relative or other person who may be legally chargeable with his or her care, in order to