

proposals to the ~~State~~ Statewide Health Coordinating Council for review and comment; requiring the council to forward certain program and budgetary proposals to certain area wide health systems agencies for review and comment; and allowing the area wide health systems agencies and the ~~State~~ Statewide Health Coordinating Council to submit comments to the Secretary.

BY adding to

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative
Departments
Section 59H(c)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1978 Replacement Volume and 1978 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative
Departments

59H.

(C) (1) EARLY IN THE PREPARATION OF THE DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL UPDATE OF THE 5-YEAR PLAN AND ~~BUDGET REQUESTS~~, BUT IN NO EVENT LATER THAN THE TWENTIETH DAY BEFORE THE DATE OF SUBMISSION TO THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY SHALL SUBMIT A PROPOSAL OF PROGRAM AND BUDGETARY PRIORITIES TO THE ~~STATE~~ STATEWIDE HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT.

(2) THE ~~STATE~~ STATEWIDE HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL SHALL FORWARD TO EACH AREA WIDE HEALTH SYSTEMS AGENCY FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT A COPY OF THOSE PROPOSALS OF BUDGETARY PRIORITIES THAT AFFECT THE AREA FOR WHICH THAT HEALTH SYSTEMS AGENCY HAS RESPONSIBILITY.

(3) THE ~~STATE~~ STATEWIDE HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL AND EACH AREA WIDE HEALTH SYSTEMS AGENCY SHALL SUBMIT ANY COMMENTS ON THE PROGRAM AND BUDGETARY PROPOSALS TO THE SECRETARY AS SOON AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE SO THAT THE SECRETARY MAY HAVE THE BENEFIT OF THEIR COMMENTS WHEN MAKING FINAL PROGRAM AND BUDGETARY DECISIONS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1979.

Approved May 29, 1979.