

## CHAPTER 199

(House Bill 940)

AN ACT concerning

## Maryland Home Rehabilitation Program

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of rehabilitation to include the provision of utility submetering for eligibility for loans under the Maryland Home Rehabilitation Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative  
Departments  
Section 257L(b)(1)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1978 Replacement Volume and 1979 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative  
Departments  
Section 257L(b)(5)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1978 Replacement Volume and 1979 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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

257L.

(b) (1) As used in this section the following terms have the meanings indicated.

(5) "Rehabilitation" means the repair, reconstruction, renovation, redevelopment, or improvement of an existing building to restore it to a decent, safe, and sanitary condition in accordance with applicable construction, health, safety, fire, occupancy, and other codes and standards, to ensure that the building can be maintained in that condition, and to improve the general utility and attractiveness of the building. Applicable codes and standards shall be those in force in the political subdivision where the building is located. If the political subdivision lacks codes and standards deemed sufficient by the Secretary to promote the objects of this section, the Department may by regulation prescribe codes and standards which shall apply in that subdivision solely for purposes of