

(Senate Bill 896)

AN ACT concerning

Mental Health - Emergency Evaluations

FOR the purpose of providing for the emergency evaluation of certain persons in certain designated emergency facilities by petition or court order; providing for the judicial review of certain petitions for emergency evaluation; providing for the examination, release, and placement of certain persons; providing for the transportation to and from designated emergency facilities; and relating generally to emergency evaluations.

BY repealing

Article 59 - Mental Hygiene
Section 22
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1979 Replacement Volume and 1980 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 59 - Mental Hygiene
Section 22 and 22A, to be under the amended subtitle
"Emergency Evaluations"
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1979 Replacement Volume and 1980 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 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows: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 59 - Mental Hygiene

Emergency [Admissions] EVALUATIONS

[22.]

(a) As used in this subtitle, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated unless a contrary meaning is clearly intended from the context in which the term appears.

(1) "Emergency admissions" shall mean that process by which an emergency admittee is admitted on an emergency basis to an emergency facility as defined herein.

(2) "Emergency treatment" means the treatment of an emergency admittee under the provisions of this subtitle.

(3) "Emergency facility" shall mean any facility designated in writing by the Department of Health and Mental