

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1982.

Approved May 4, 1982.

CHAPTER 104

(Senate Bill 607)

AN ACT concerning

Nursing Homes - Ombudsman

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Director on Aging to seek to resolve complaints concerning the operations of related institutions; authorizing the Director on Aging to delegate certain authority concerning investigation and resolution of complaints concerning operations of related institutions to directors of local offices on aging who establish local ombudsman programs in accordance with certain regulations; requiring that certain regulations provide for certain standards, procedures, and other elements of the ombudsman program; and generally relating to ombudsman programs concerning related institutions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 70B - Office on Aging
Section 5(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1978 Replacement Volume and 1981 Supplement)

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

Article 70B - Office on Aging

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(a) (1) The Director on Aging shall receive, [and] investigate, AND SEEK TO RESOLVE complaints concerning the operations of related institutions, as defined in § 556(d) of Article 43, and he may, on his own motion, make on-site visits to determine if these institutions are in compliance with applicable laws, rules, and regulations.