

"DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added to avoid repetition of the full title "Department of Health and Mental Hygiene".

(D) HEALTH OFFICER.

"HEALTH OFFICER" MEANS THE BALTIMORE CITY COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH OR THE HEALTH OFFICER OF A COUNTY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added to avoid repetition of phrases such as "the health officer or, in Baltimore City, the Baltimore City Commissioner of Health" and to clarify the scope of this article.

Some of the former provisions now revised in this article expressly stated that a reference to a "health officer" included the Baltimore City Commissioner of Health or otherwise clearly applied to that Commissioner; see, e.g., former Article 43, §§ 31A(a)(2), 97, and 615(c-1). However, other former provisions now revised in this article contained ambiguous references to a "health officer", "health authority", or "health commissioner". Throughout this article, the term "health officer", as defined in this subsection, is substituted for those former references unless the former provision expressly did not apply to Baltimore City. See the General Revisor's Note to Title 18 of this article; but c.f., § 3-101 of this article.

(E) INCLUDES; INCLUDING.

"INCLUDES" OR "INCLUDING" MEANS INCLUDES OR INCLUDING BY WAY OF ILLUSTRATION AND NOT BY WAY OF LIMITATION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added to state expressly that the words "includes" or "including" are used in this article by way of illustration or expansion and not by way of limitation or restriction.

In light of this definition, phrases such as "but not limited to" are deleted throughout this article as superfluous.

The Commission to Revise the Annotated Code emphasizes, however, that the absence of a like definition in a previously revised article of the Code does not mean that "includes" or "including" is used there in any different sense or that a