

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2006.

Approved May 2, 2006.

CHAPTER 391

(House Bill 1322)

AN ACT concerning

Assisted Living Programs - Licensure

FOR the purpose of requiring a person to be licensed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to conduct, operate, or maintain an assisted living program; exempting certain housing provided under a certain care program from assisted living requirements; altering a certain definition; requiring a person seeking an assisted living program license to submit a certain application, certain information when applying for initial licensure, and a certain fee to the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene; requiring the Secretary to develop a certain application; requiring the Secretary to conduct a certain review and investigation of applicants for an assisted living program license; requiring the Secretary to issue a certain approval or to deny applicants for an assisted living program license; providing that an assisted living program license is valid for a certain period of time; authorizing the Secretary to issue a certain probationary license; requiring the Department, in consultation with certain individuals and groups, to develop a certain methodology; requiring the Department, on or before certain dates, to submit certain reports to certain committees of the General Assembly; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to assisted living programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 88A - Department of Human Resources

Section 140

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 19-1801

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health - General

Section 19-1804.1