(7) Penalties assessed under this subsection shall be paid into the General Fund of the State.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the effective date for the implementation of efficiency standards for unit heaters and commercial refrigeration cabinets set forth in COMAR 14.26.03.06A shall be 90 days after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the labeling requirements set forth in COMAR 14.26.03.10 may not take effect until March 1, 2006.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2005.

Approved May 10, 2005.

CHAPTER 412

(House Bill 1047)

AN ACT concerning

Nursing Facility Conversion Grant Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the Nursing Facility Conversion Grant Program; authorizing the Board of Public Works, on the recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide grants under the Program to counties, municipal corporations, and nonprofit organizations for the conversion of nursing facility beds to certain other health care services; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to make certain recommendations; authorizing the Board of Public Works to adopt certain regulations; providing certain terms, conditions, and limitations on the allocations, use, and amount of State grants under the Program; providing that no proceeds of a grant may be used for certain religious purposes; providing that, under certain circumstances, the State may recover a certain portion of the State funds expended; providing for certain judicial proceedings and liens to enforce the State's right of recovery and the priority of the proceedings and liens; providing that temporary delicensure of bed capacities of certain facilities do not require certificate of need review under certain circumstances; providing that the Maryland Health Care Commission shall retain certain bed capacities on its inventory under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt certain regulations in consultation with the Maryland Health Care Commission and the nursing home industry; defining certain terms; and generally relating to grants for the conversion of nursing facilities.

BY adding to

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Sections 24-1301 through 24-1308, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle