

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 3–306.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Health – General

3–306.1.

(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN HOWARD COUNTY.

(B) THE SECRETARY SHALL NOTIFY THE COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER WHEN THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES AN APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE OR CERTIFICATION FOR A HEALTH FACILITY OR PROGRAM THAT WILL SERVE 16 OR MORE INDIVIDUALS.

(C) IF THE COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER RECEIVES NOTICE UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THEN THE COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER SHALL NOTIFY THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2005.

Approved April 12, 2005.

CHAPTER 82

(House Bill 990)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Institutions for the Treatment of Mental Disease – Suspension of Benefits and Services for Individuals Who Are Incarcerated or Institutionalized

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to suspend Maryland Medical Assistance Program benefits for certain individuals who are incarcerated or who are admitted to an institution for the treatment of mental disease; prohibiting the Department from terminating Program benefits for certain individuals based on the incarceration of the individual or the admission of the individual to an institution for the treatment of mental disease; providing that certain provisions of this Act are contingent on the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene’s receipt of certain funding and the implementation of a certain computer system; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Department of Human Resources, and the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to convene a certain work group to make certain recommendations; requiring the work group to report its findings and