(B) EACH HEALTH CARE FACILITY SHALL PROVIDE EACH INDIVIDUAL ON ADMITTANCE TO THE FACILITY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE RIGHTS OF THE INDIVIDUAL TO MAKE DECISIONS CONCERNING MEDICAL CARE, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REFUSE MEDICAL OR SURGICAL TREATMENT, AND THE RIGHT TO FORMULATE AN ADVANCE DIRECTIVE, INCLUDING A LIVING WILL.

5-612. 5-614. 5-615. 5-616. PRESERVATION OF EXISTING RIGHT; ADVANCE DIRECTIVES EXECUTED BEFORE EFFECTIVE DATE.

- (A) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE ARE CUMULATIVE WITH EXISTING LAW REGARDING AN INDIVIDUAL'S RIGHT TO CONSENT OR REFUSE TO CONSENT TO MEDICAL TREATMENT AND DO NOT IMPAIR ANY EXISTING RIGHTS OR RESPONSIBILITIES WHICH A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER, A PATIENT, INCLUDING A MINOR OR INCOMPETENT PATIENT, OR A PATIENT'S FAMILY MAY HAVE IN REGARD TO THE PROVIDING, PROVISION, WITHHOLDING, OR WITHDRAWING WITHDRAWAL OF LIFE-PROLONGING-LIFE-SUSTAINING MEDICAL PROCEDURES UNDER THE COMMON LAW OR STATUTES OF THE STATE.
- (B) A VALID LIVING WILL OR DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTH CARE MADE PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1, 1993 SHALL BE GIVEN EFFECT AS PROVIDED IN THIS ARTICLE SUBTITLE ARTICLE, EVEN IF NOT EXECUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THIS ARTICLE SUBTITLE ARTICLE.

5-613. 5-615. 5-616 5-617. RECIPROCITY.

AN ADVANCE DIRECTIVE OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES "DO NOT RESUSCITATE" ORDER EXECUTED IN ANOTHER STATE SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE VALIDLY EXECUTED FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE IF EXECUTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAWS OF MARYLAND OR THE LAWS OF THE STATE WHERE EXECUTED. ADVANCE DIRECTIVES OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES "DO NOT RESUSCITATE" ORDERS EXECUTED IN ANOTHER STATE SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE PATIENT'S WISHES TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY THE LAWS OF MARYLAND.

5-614. 5-616. 5-617. *5-618.* SHORT TITLE.

THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE KNOWN AND MAY BE CITED AS THE "HEALTH CARE DECISIONS ACT".

Article - Estates and Trusts

13-601.

- (a) [If] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, IF a principal designates his attorney in fact or agent by a power of attorney in writing and the writing contains the words
- (1) "This power of attorney shall not be affected by disability of the principal", or
- (2) "This power of attorney becomes effective upon the disability of the principal", or