- (II) LIVES WITH A SPOUSE WHO IS AT LEAST 21 YEARS OF AGE.
- (G) (E) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION THAT ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three—fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1995.

Approved May 25, 1995.

CHAPTER 547

(House Bill 343)

AN ACT concerning

Related Institutions - Discharge, Transfer, and Assets of Residents

FOR the purpose of providing residents of related institutions with certain additional protections relating to a resident's assets and income and the involuntary discharge and transfer of a resident; authorizing certain persons to apply for a certain determination from the Medical Assistance Program; requiring the Medical Assistance Program to make a certain determination under certain circumstances; authorizing certain facilities to petition a certain court for certain orders under certain circumstances; specifying that a related institution shall comply with certain requirements before involuntarily discharging or transferring a resident; prohibiting certain related institutions from including certain provisions in admissions contracts; requiring a resident's next of kin or legal representative to cooperate and assist in the discharge planning process under certain circumstances; specifying that the Attorney General is responsible for the enforcement of certain provisions and certain persons may request certain injunctive relief under certain circumstances; creating and altering certain penalty provisions; altering certain definitions; and generally relating to residents in related institutions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 19-344(c), 19-345, and 19-346(a)(2), (n)(1), and (0)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1994 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health - General