

2. FAILED TO EXERCISE THE INDIVIDUAL'S APPEAL RIGHTS WITHIN THE TIME FRAMES SPECIFIED IN § 5-706.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE, TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, OR THE MARYLAND RULES.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT WITHOUT THE NECESSITY OF A REQUEST SHALL REMOVE FROM THE NAME OF AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION THE IDENTIFICATION OF THAT INDIVIDUAL AS RESPONSIBLE FOR ABUSE OR NEGLECT IF NO ENTRY HAS BEEN MADE FOR THAT INDIVIDUAL FOR 7 YEARS AFTER THE ENTRY OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S NAME IN A REGISTRY.

(F) (1) EXCEPT FOR INFORMATION ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION, INFORMATION IN A CENTRAL REGISTRY MAY NOT BE USED AS A SOLE BASIS FOR RESPONDING TO ANY REQUEST FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR EMPLOYMENT OR VOLUNTARY SERVICE.

(2) AN OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OR A LOCAL DEPARTMENT WHO RELEASES INFORMATION FROM A CENTRAL REGISTRY IN VIOLATION OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IS SUBJECT TO THE PENALTY PROVIDED IN ARTICLE 88A, § 6(E) OF THE CODE.

(G) THE SECRETARY OF HUMAN RESOURCES:

(1) SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUALS SUSPECTED OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT; AND

(2) MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

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~~(A) THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES SHALL PROVIDE AN INDIVIDUAL WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAL AN UNEXPUNGED FINDING OF INDICATED OR UNSUBSTANTIATED ABUSE OR NEGLECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 5-706.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE IF THE INDIVIDUAL:~~

~~(1) REQUESTS SUCH AN APPEAL;~~

~~(2) HAS NOT BEEN OFFERED AN OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST A CONTESTED CASE HEARING; AND~~

~~(3) HAS NOT BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF ANY CRIMINAL CHARGE ARISING OUT OF THE ALLEGED ABUSE OR NEGLECT.~~

~~(B) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.~~

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~~(a) The Secretary of Human Resources shall adopt regulations necessary to protect the rights of persons suspected of abuse or neglect.~~

~~(b) Before the name of a person who is suspected of abuse or neglect is entered in a central registry, the person shall be given notice.~~