

ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE SECRETARY, OBJECTS TO THE TESTING ON THE GROUND THAT IT CONFLICTS WITH THE PARENT'S OR GUARDIAN'S BONA FIDE RELIGIOUS BELIEFS AND PRACTICES.

(2) PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF THE RESPONSES OF THE CHILD'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN ON A QUESTIONNAIRE FURNISHED BY THE SECRETARY AND ADMINISTERED BY A PEDIATRICIAN INDICATE THAT THE CHILD IS AT HIGH RISK FOR LEAD POISONING.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

Approved May 18, 2000.

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**CHAPTER 678**

**(House Bill 1226)**

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Assisted Living Facilities Grant Program**

FOR the purpose of establishing the Assisted Living Facilities Grant Program; authorizing the Board of Public Work, 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 public buildings to assisted living facilities, the acquisition of existing buildings or parts of buildings for use as assisted living facilities, the renovation of assisted living facilities, the purchase of capital equipment for assisted living facilities, and the planning, design, and construction of assisted living facilities; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to make recommendations; permitting the Board of Public Works to adopt certain regulations; providing certain terms, conditions, and limitations on the allocations, use, and amount of State grants; 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 proceeding and lien; defining certain terms; and generally relating to grants for assisted living facilities.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 24–1001 through 24–1007, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle  
“Subtitle 10. Assisted Living Facilities Grant Program”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)