

~~(3) improving communication between the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Department of Human Resources, and nursing homes regarding the eligibility of nursing home residents under the Medical Assistance Program and any changes in eligibility status.~~

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2003.

Approved May 22, 2003.

CHAPTER 395

(Senate Bill 590)

AN ACT concerning

Housing Authority of Baltimore City - Collective Bargaining

FOR the purpose of ~~requiring~~ authorizing the Housing Authority of Baltimore City to recognize and engage in collective bargaining with the exclusive bargaining representatives of certain of its ~~employees in certain bargaining units~~ employee bargaining units; specifying the collective bargaining ~~obligations~~ powers of the Housing Authority of Baltimore City; ~~requiring~~ authorizing the Housing Authority of Baltimore City to engage in binding third-party arbitration concerning disputes and grievances under certain circumstances; ~~requiring the arbitration to be conducted before a certain neutral labor arbitrator; authorizing an arbitrator to issue subpoenas for certain purposes and administer oaths to certain witnesses; providing that an arbitrator's rendered decision shall be final and binding;~~ authorizing the Housing Authority of Baltimore City to exercise any power that is necessary and appropriate for a certain purpose; and generally relating to collective bargaining matters of the Housing Authority of Baltimore City.

BY adding to

Article 44A - Housing Authorities

Section 3-105

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

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

Article 44A - Housing Authorities

3-105.

(A) (1) THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF BALTIMORE CITY ~~SHALL~~ MAY RECOGNIZE AND ENGAGE IN COLLECTIVE BARGAINING WITH THE EXCLUSIVE