

ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, INCLUDING PARTICIPATION IN PROGRAMS THAT WOULD ENABLE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES TO LIVE OUTSIDE THE NURSING FACILITY.

~~(2) THE ACCESS TO NURSING FACILITIES REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (F) OF THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND COMMUNICATE PRIVATELY WITH RESIDENTS ON A REGULAR BASIS BY TELEPHONE, MAIL, ELECTRONIC MAIL, AND IN PERSON.~~

(2) EMPLOYEES OR REPRESENTATIVES OF PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY AGENCIES AND OF CENTERS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING SHALL MAINTAIN THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE RESIDENTS AND MAY NOT DISCLOSE THE INFORMATION PROVIDED TO A RESIDENT, EXCEPT WITH THE EXPRESS CONSENT OF THE RESIDENT OR THE RESIDENT'S LEGAL GUARDIAN OR HEALTH CARE REPRESENTATIVE.

(3) PUBLIC OR PRIVATE NURSING FACILITIES MAY REQUIRE THE EMPLOYEES OR REPRESENTATIVES OF PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY AGENCIES AND OF CENTERS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING TO PROVIDE PROOF OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING BEFORE AUTHORIZING THE ACCESS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002.

Approved April 9, 2002.

CHAPTER 85

(House Bill 753)

AN ACT concerning

Howard County - Orphans' Court - Compensation of Judges

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FOR the purpose of increasing the compensation for the judges of the Orphans' Court for Howard County; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent judges of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Howard County; and generally relating to the compensation of the judges of the Orphans' Court for Howard County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Estates and Trusts

Section 2-108(o)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)