

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the terms of the initial members of the Maryland Commission on Disabilities shall expire as follows:

- (1) 7 members in 2005;
- (2) 6 members in 2006; and
- (3) 7 members in 2007.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Budget and Management shall explore the feasibility of implementing the interagency funding approach developed by the Interagency Disabilities Board in accordance with § 9-1115(b)(3) of the State Government Article of the Annotated Code.

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the publishers of the Annotated Code of Maryland, subject to the approval of the Department of Legislative Services, shall propose the correction of any agency names and titles throughout the Annotated Code that are rendered incorrect by this Act and any necessary corrections shall be ~~satisfied~~ ratified by passage of the Annual Corrective Bill of 2005.

SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that the Department of Disabilities, as established under Title 9, Subtitle 11 of the State Government Article, as enacted by Section 2 of this Act, shall be funded with existing resources or federal or special funds unless funding is provided for the Department in the State budget.

SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2004.

Approved May 11, 2004.

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## CHAPTER 426

### (Senate Bill 620)

AN ACT concerning

#### **Money Follows the Individual Accountability Act**

FOR the purpose of requiring a nursing facility, under certain circumstances, to refer a resident to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene or its designee for assistance in obtaining certain home- and community-based services; requiring the Department or its designee to review certain quarterly assessments to identify individuals indicating a preference to live in the community; requiring the Department or its designee to provide certain residents ~~referred or identified~~ with certain information, including certain rights, and with certain assistance, including assistance in moving from a nursing facility to a certain community-based setting; requiring a social worker to provide information regarding how to obtain certain services and including a certain list; requiring