

(3) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SUBSECTION IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$1,500.

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsection (a)(1) of this section is new language added as the standard introductory language to a definition section.

Subsection (a)(2) of this section is new language added to avoid repetition of the full reference to the "Maryland Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program".

Subsections (a)(3) and (b) through (g) of this section are new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 70B, § 5(c) through (f) and, as it defined "related institution", (a).

Subsection (b) of this section is revised in standard language for consistency with similar provisions throughout this article.

In subsection (c)(2)(ii) of this section, the defined term "area agency" is substituted for the former reference to a "local office on aging" for consistency throughout this title.

In subsection (d)(6) of this section, the former reference to "files" is deleted in light of the reference to "records".

In the introductory language of subsection (e) of this section, the word "highest" is substituted for the former incorrect word "higher".

The Human Services Article Review Committee notes, for consideration by the General Assembly, that although the term "nursing home" is used in subsections (d)(8) and (e)(3) of this section, the term is not defined. The General Assembly may wish to define the term for purposes of this section.

Defined terms: "Area agency" § 10-101

"Department" § 10-101

"Person" § 1-101

"Secretary" § 10-101

10-214. UNCLAIMED DECEASED NURSING HOME RESIDENTS.

(A) DEFINITIONS.

(1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "NURSING HOME" MEANS COMPREHENSIVE CARE FACILITIES AND EXTENDED CARE FACILITIES.

(3) "UNCLAIMED DECEASED NURSING HOME RESIDENT" MEANS A RESIDENT OF A NURSING HOME:

(I) WHO HAS NOT PREARRANGED AND PREPAID FOR THE DISPOSAL OF THE RESIDENT'S BODY; AND