

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect October 1, 1991, contingent on the failure to take effect of Chapter ____ (H.B. 561) and Chapter ____ (H.B. 1091) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1991, and if Chapter ____ or Chapter ____ does become effective, Section 2 of this Act shall be null and void without the necessity of further action by the General Assembly.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 3 of this Act shall take effect October 1, 1991, contingent on the taking effect of Chapter ____ (H.B. 561) or Chapter ____ (H.B. 1091) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1991, and if Chapter ____ or Chapter ____ does not become effective, Section 3 of this Act shall be null and void without the necessity of further action by the General Assembly.

SECTION 2: 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1991.

Approved May 14, 1991.

CHAPTER 441

(House Bill 1217)

AN ACT concerning

Abortion Referral

FOR the purpose of providing that a hospital, hospital director, hospital governing board, or any other person may not be required to refer an individual to any source for any medical procedure resulting in artificial insemination, sterilization, or termination of pregnancy; providing that a failure to refer for those procedures may not be the basis for certain civil liability or for certain disciplinary or other recriminatory action; providing a certain exception; repealing a certain provision of law concerning nonhealth care provider referrals; and generally relating to referrals for certain medical procedures resulting in artificial insemination, sterilization, or abortion.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 20-214 to be under the amended part "Part IV. Effect of Refusal to Participate or Refer"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 1 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1991)

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