- (I) FOR QUALITY OF CARE ISSUES, THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION ADMINISTRATION:
- (II) FOR LIFE AND HEALTH CARE INSURANCE COMPLAINTS, THE MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION, LIFE AND HEALTH—INQUIRY AND INVESTIGATION UNIT; AND
- (III) FOR LEGAL HEALTH CARE ADVOCACY, THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, HEALTH CARE ADVOCACY UNIT.
- (I) FOR QUALITY OF CARE ISSUES AND LIFE AND HEALTH CARE INSURANCE COMPLAINTS, THE MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION; AND
- (II) FOR ASSISTANCE IN RESOLVING A BILLING OR PAYMENT DISPUTE WITH THE HEALTH PLAN OR A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER, THE HEALTH EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY UNIT OF THE CONSUMER PROTECTION DIVISION OF THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

Approved April 28, 1998.

## **CHAPTER 127**

(House Bill 1351)

AN ACT concerning

## Health Care Hospital or Nursing Facility - Employee Name Tags

FOR the purpose of requiring each health care hospital or nursing facility in the State to ensure that its employees and certain other individuals wear a personal identification tag, except where inappropriate for medical reasons, that contains certain personal and professional information; authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt certain regulations and to take appropriate sanctions impose a certain penalty against a health care hospital or nursing facility under certain circumstances; and generally relating to a certain requirement concerning name tags for health care hospital or nursing facility employees and others.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article Health General

Section 1 101(a) and (i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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