

CHAPTER 731
(House Bill 1159)

AN ACT concerning

Outpatient Mental Health Clinics - Grant Funding

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to continue ~~after June 30, 1998~~ from July 1, 1998 until June 30, 1999, a certain transitional ~~grant~~ funding option that was in effect for certain outpatient mental health clinics on a certain date; providing that this Act may not be construed to prohibit the Secretary from increasing a certain rate of reimbursement; permitting the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to grant a certain amount annually for certain mental health services to a certain entity; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to funding for certain outpatient mental health clinics.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 1-101(a) and (i) and 10-902

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health - General

Section 10-902.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

1-101.

(a) In this article the following words have the meanings indicated.

(i) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene.

10-902.

(a) (1) In accordance with the State budget and the rules and regulations that the Secretary adopts, the Secretary may make grants from or agreements for the use of State and federal funds to help public agencies or nonprofit organizations establish and operate local mental health programs to provide the following:

(i) Inpatient services.

(ii) Outpatient services.