

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2008.

Approved by the Governor, May 22, 2008.

CHAPTER 686

(House Bill 1187)

AN ACT concerning

Persons Who Operate Nursing Homes - Licensure

FOR the purpose of requiring ~~a person to be licensed by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene before operating a nursing home; establishing the qualifications for licensure; requiring the Secretary to evaluate the background and qualifications of certain persons~~ an applicant for licensure or relicensure of a nursing home to include certain information in the application; requiring applicants to provide the Secretary with certain information; requiring the Secretary to issue licenses to applicants who meet certain requirements; authorizing licensees to renew licenses under certain circumstances authorizing the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to make certain approvals or denials of licensure applications after a certain review; requiring licensees to report to the Secretary certain changes in the financial condition of a nursing home; authorizing the Secretary to verify certain financial conditions requiring the Secretary to convene a certain workgroup to make certain recommendations; requiring the Secretary to review certain recommendations and to publish certain regulations on or before a certain date; making certain exceptions; requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the licensure of persons who operate nursing homes.

~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - Health - General
Section 19-1401
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)~~

BY adding to
Article - Health - General
Section 19-1401.1, 19-1401.2, ~~and 19-1401.3~~ ~~19-1401.3, 19-1401.4, 19-1401.5,
19-1401.6, 19-1401.7, and 19-1401.8~~