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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Estates and Trusts - Petition for Guardianship of Disabled Person -**
3 **Certificates of Competency**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring a petitioner for guardianship of a disabled person to
5 submit with the petition a certain combination of certificates of competency; and
6 generally relating to the certificates of competency submitted with a petition for
7 guardianship of a disabled person.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Estates and Trusts
10 Section 13-705(c)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1991 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Estates and Trusts**

16 13-705.

17 (c) (1) Procedures and venue in these cases shall be as described by Title 10,
18 Chapters 100 and 200 of the Maryland Rules.

19 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS
20 SUBSECTION, A PETITION FOR GUARDIANSHIP OF A DISABLED PERSON SHALL
21 INCLUDE SIGNED AND VERIFIED CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCY FROM THE
22 FOLLOWING HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS:

23 (I) TWO LICENSED PHYSICIANS WHO HAVE EXAMINED THE
24 DISABLED PERSON; OR

25 (II) ONE LICENSED PHYSICIAN WHO HAS EXAMINED THE DISABLED
26 PERSON AND ONE LICENSED PSYCHOLOGIST WHO HAS EVALUATED THE DISABLED
27 PERSON.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 1999.