

HOUSE BILL 296

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ENROLLED BILL
-- Environmental Matters/Finance --

Introduced by **Delegates Nathan-Pulliam, Burns, Cane, D. Davis, A. Jones,
Love, Oaks, and Morhaim**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Assisted Living Programs - Small Facilities**

3 FOR the purpose of extending a certain date before which the Secretary of Health and
4 Mental Hygiene is prohibited from imposing sanctions under a certain provision
5 of law or regulations adopted under it concerning assisted living programs that
6 provide services to a certain maximum number of individuals unless certain
7 circumstances occur; making a certain technical correction; and generally
8 relating to assisted living programs.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Chapter 646 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1998
11 Section 1

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

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Chapter 646 of the Acts of 1998

2 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
3 MARYLAND, That, notwithstanding any provision of Chapter 147 of the Acts of the
4 General Assembly of 1996, the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, prior to July
5 1, [1999] 2000, may not impose any sanctions under that Act, or any regulation
6 adopted under it, with respect to an assisted living program, as defined in § ~~19-801~~
7 19-1801 of the Health - General Article, that provides services to 15 or fewer
8 individuals, unless the actions of an assisted living program that provides services to
9 15 or fewer individuals have: (1) caused actual physical or emotional harm to a
10 resident in the program; or (2) placed a resident in the program at risk of physical or
11 emotional harm.

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