

HOUSE BILL 876

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Introduced and read first time: February 12, 2009

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment – Healthy Homes Initiative**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of the Department of the Environment to
4 establish a Healthy Homes Initiative in the Department for certain purposes;
5 authorizing the Secretary to apply for certain federal grants; requiring the
6 Secretary to administer certain grants for certain purposes; and generally
7 relating to the Healthy Homes Initiative.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Environment

10 Section 6–855 to be under the new part “Part IX. Healthy Homes Initiative”

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2007 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Environment**

16 **6–853. RESERVED.**

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18 **PART IX. HEALTHY HOMES INITIATIVE.**

19 **6–855.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(A) (1) THE SECRETARY SHALL ESTABLISH A HEALTHY HOMES**
2 **INITIATIVE IN THE DEPARTMENT.**

3 **(2) THE PURPOSE OF THE HEALTHY HOMES INITIATIVE IS TO**
4 **PROTECT CHILDREN AND ADULTS FROM HOUSING-RELATED HEALTH AND**
5 **SAFETY HAZARDS, INCLUDING LEAD EXPOSURE.**

6 **(B) THE SECRETARY MAY APPLY FOR FEDERAL GRANTS THROUGH THE**
7 **HEALTHY HOMES DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM AND HEALTHY HOMES**
8 **TECHNICAL STUDIES PROGRAM IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF**
9 **HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.**

10 **(C) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADMINISTER ANY FEDERAL GRANT MONEY**
11 **RECEIVED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION FOR ANY PURPOSE THAT IS**
12 **CONSISTENT WITH THE HEALTHY HOMES INITIATIVE IN THE UNITED STATES**
13 **DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.**

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 October 1, 2009.