

HOUSE BILL 17

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By: **Delegate Smigiel**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Use of Federal Funds – Priority**
3 **for Medically Underserved Areas**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to give
5 priority to medically underserved areas, as designated by a certain federal
6 administration, when using certain federal funds received by the Secretary; and
7 generally relating to the use of federal funds by the Secretary of Health and
8 Mental Hygiene.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Health – General
11 Section 2–104(i)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Health – General**

17 2–104.

18 (i) **(1)** The Secretary may apply for, receive, and spend grants–in–aid by
19 the federal government or any of its agencies or any other federal funds made
20 available to the Department for use in carrying out the powers and duties of the
21 Secretary or the Department.

22 **(2) IF THE SECRETARY RECEIVES GRANTS–IN–AID OR ANY OTHER**
23 **FUNDS FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT MAY BE USED FOR MEDICAL**
24 **DEVICES OR FOR TELEMEDICINE THROUGH WHICH MEDICAL INFORMATION**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 MAY BE EXCHANGED FROM ONE SITE TO ANOTHER VIA ELECTRONIC
2 COMMUNICATIONS, THE SECRETARY SHALL GIVE PRIORITY TO MEDICALLY
3 UNDERSERVED AREAS OF THE STATE, AS DESIGNATED BY THE FEDERAL
4 HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, WHEN USING THE
5 FUNDS.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2011.