

SENATE BILL 346

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By: **Senator Kelley**

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Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Innovations in Aging Services Program – Commission on Aging –**
3 **Responsibilities**

4 FOR the purpose of repealing the Innovations in Aging Services Advisory Council and
5 transferring certain Council responsibilities to the Commission on Aging;
6 providing that the Commission shall advise the Secretary of Aging on the
7 development of a certain annual Innovation in Aging Services Program plan;
8 providing that the Commission shall advise the Secretary on the awarding of
9 certain grants in accordance with certain Program priorities; and generally
10 relating to the Commission on Aging and the Innovations in Aging Services
11 Program.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Human Services
14 Section 10–601, 10–603, and 10–605
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2007 Volume and 2012 Supplement)

17 BY repealing
18 Article – Human Services
19 Section 10–604
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2007 Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

24 **Article – Human Services**

25 10–601.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

2 [(b) “Council” means the Innovations in Aging Services Advisory Council.]

3 **(B) “COMMISSION” MEANS THE COMMISSION ON AGING ESTABLISHED**
4 **UNDER § 10–208 OF THIS TITLE.**

5 (c) “Program” means the Innovations in Aging Services Program.

6 10–603.

7 (a) (1) With the advice of the [Council] **COMMISSION**, the Secretary
8 shall:

9 (i) develop annually a Program plan; and

10 (ii) submit the plan to the Governor and General Assembly for
11 approval as part of the annual State budget.

12 (2) The plan shall set forth priorities for:

13 (i) funding grants for innovative services to seniors; and

14 (ii) training personnel who provide services to seniors in the
15 State.

16 (3) The plan shall include provisions for:

17 (i) funding grants that are sought by Communities for a
18 Lifetime to the extent practicable; and

19 (ii) evaluating any program funded under the plan.

20 (b) The Secretary may accept money from any public or private source to
21 fund grants awarded under this subtitle.

22 [10–604.

23 (a) There is an Innovations in Aging Services Advisory Council in the
24 Department.

25 (b) The Council consists of the following 15 members:

26 (1) the Secretary of Aging;

1 (2) the chair of the Maryland Commission on Aging or the chair's
2 designee;

3 (3) the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene or the Secretary's
4 designee;

5 (4) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President
6 of the Senate;

7 (5) one member of the Maryland House of Delegates, appointed by the
8 Speaker; and

9 (6) the following 10 members appointed by the Secretary of Aging:

10 (i) five representatives of organizations providing services to
11 seniors;

12 (ii) two representatives of senior consumers of services to
13 seniors;

14 (iii) a director of an area agency;

15 (iv) a representative of a Community for a Lifetime; and

16 (v) a representative of the University of Maryland Center on
17 Aging.

18 (c) The Secretary is the chair of the Council.

19 (d) (1) The term of a member of the Council is 4 years.

20 (2) The terms of the members appointed by the Secretary are
21 staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the Council on October 1,
22 2007.

23 (3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor
24 is appointed and qualifies.

25 (4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for
26 the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.]

27 [10-605.] **10-604.**

28 (a) The Secretary shall solicit grant proposals to implement the Program
29 priorities approved by the Governor and the General Assembly under § 10-603(a) of
30 this subtitle.

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1 (b) With the advice of the [Council] **COMMISSION**, the Secretary shall
2 award grants funded in accordance with the approved Program priorities.

3 (c) The Secretary shall provide for the evaluation, by recognized authorities
4 in the field of services to seniors, of the programs funded by the grants.

5 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, That this Act shall take effect
6 October 1, 2013.