

HOUSE BILL 105

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By: **Chair, Health and Government Operations Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health and Mental Hygiene)**

Requested: October 10, 2013

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Health Care Commission – Powers – Authority to Award Funds and**
3 **Make Agreements With Grantees and Payees**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Health Care Commission to award
5 certain funds received from any person or government agency; authorizing the
6 Commission to make agreements with certain grantees and payees; and
7 generally relating to the powers of the Maryland Health Care Commission.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Health – General
10 Section 19–109(a)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Health – General**

16 19–109.

17 (a) In addition to the powers set forth elsewhere in this subtitle, the
18 Commission may:

19 (1) Adopt rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this
20 subtitle;

21 (2) Create committees from among its members;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (3) Appoint advisory committees, which shall include consumers and
2 may include representatives of interested public or private organizations, to make
3 recommendations to the Commission on community-based services, long-term care,
4 acute patient services, ambulatory surgical services, specialized health care services,
5 residential treatment centers for emotionally disturbed children and adolescents,
6 mental health and alcohol and drug abuse services, and any other topic or issue that
7 the Commission considers necessary;

8 (4) Apply for and accept any funds, property, or services from any
9 person or government agency;

10 **(5) AWARD ANY FUNDS RECEIVED FROM ANY PERSON OR**
11 **GOVERNMENT AGENCY;**

12 **[(5)] (6)** Make agreements with a grantor or payor **OR WITH A**
13 **GRANTEE OR PAYEE** of funds, property, or services, including an agreement to make
14 any study, plan, demonstration, or project;

15 **[(6)] (7)** Publish and give out any information that relates to the
16 financial aspects of health care and is considered desirable in the public interest; and

17 **[(7)] (8)** Subject to the limitations of this subtitle, exercise any other
18 power that is reasonably necessary to carry out the purposes of this subtitle, including
19 adopting regulations that set reasonable deadlines for filing of information or reports
20 required under this subtitle and impose reasonable penalties for failure to file
21 information or reports as required.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2014.