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

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

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

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

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

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

Article – Health – General

19–109.

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

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

(2) Create committees from among its members;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

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

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

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

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

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

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