

HOUSE BILL 1130

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Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2018
Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Residential Treatment Centers – Mandatory Reporting of Inappropriate Sexual**
3 **Behavior**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring that certain residential treatment centers be subject to
5 certain reporting requirements regarding inappropriate sexual behavior established
6 by the Maryland Department of Health under certain regulations; defining a certain
7 term; and generally relating to the reporting of inappropriate sexual behavior.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Health – General

10 Section 19–347.1

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Health – General**

16 **19–347.1.**

17 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “INAPPROPRIATE SEXUAL BEHAVIOR” HAS THE**
18 **MEANING STATED IN COMAR 10.01.18.02.**

19 **(B) A PRIVATELY OWNED AND OPERATED RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT**
20 **CENTER SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY**
21 **THE DEPARTMENT UNDER COMAR 10.01.18.05 THAT APPLY WHEN A STAFF**
22 **MEMBER OBSERVES, RECEIVES A COMPLAINT REGARDING, OR OTHERWISE HAS**
23 **REASON TO BELIEVE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN SUBJECTED TO**
24 **INAPPROPRIATE SEXUAL BEHAVIOR.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
2 1, 2018.