

HOUSE BILL 242

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By: **Delegate Klausmeier**

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Mental Hygiene Administration - Office of Administrative Hearings -**
3 **Procedure**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to
5 establish certain procedures within the Mental Hygiene Administration that
6 give certain community mental health programs the right to access a certain
7 mediation process and the right to request a certain hearing under certain
8 circumstances; and generally relating to certain procedures within the Mental
9 Hygiene Administration.

10 BY adding to

11 Article - Health - General
12 Section 10-906
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

17 **Article - Health - General**

18 10-906.

19 THE SECRETARY SHALL ESTABLISH PROCEDURES WITHIN THE
20 ADMINISTRATION FOR A PROCESS REGARDING PROGRAM, POLICY, OR CONTRACT
21 DISPUTES WITH THE ADMINISTRATION THAT GIVES ALL COMMUNITY MENTAL
22 HEALTH PROGRAMS REGULATED BY THE ADMINISTRATION THE RIGHT TO:

23 (1) ACCESS THE MEDIATION PROCESS ESTABLISHED BY THE
24 ADMINISTRATION; AND

25 (2) IF DISSATISFIED WITH THE OUTCOME OF THE MEDIATION BY THE
26 ADMINISTRATION, REQUEST A HEARING WITH THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE
27 HEARINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT
28 ARTICLE.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 October 1, 2002.