
By: **Chairman, Finance Committee (By Request - Departmental - Health and Mental Hygiene)**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Refusal of Psychiatric Medication - Clinical Review Panel**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date for certain provisions of law
4 relating to the refusal of psychiatric medication; and generally relating to
5 psychiatric medication and clinical review panels.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Chapter 385 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1991, as amended by
8 Chapter 135 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1993, Chapter 266 of
9 the Acts of the General Assembly of 1995, Chapter 14 of the Acts of the
10 General Assembly of 1997, Chapter 21 of the Acts of the General Assembly
11 of 1998, Chapter 203 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999, and
12 Chapter 15 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2001
13 Section 2

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

16 **Chapter 385 of the Acts of 1991, as amended by Chapter 135 of the Acts of**
17 **1993, Chapter 266 of the Acts of 1995, Chapter 14 of the Acts of 1997, Chapter**
18 **21 of the Acts of 1998, Chapter 203 of the Acts of 1999, and Chapter 15 of the**
19 **Acts of 2001**

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
21 July 1, 1991. [This Act shall remain effective for a period of 14 years and shall
22 automatically terminate at the end of June 30, 2005, without further action of the

1 General Assembly. By January 1, 2004, an evaluation report of this Act
2 recommending reestablishment or termination of this Act shall be prepared by the
3 Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene in consultation with the Maryland Hospital
4 Association, the State designated protection advocacy agency, and other affected
5 parties, and shall be submitted to the Governor and the General Assembly.]

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
7 effect June 1, 2005.