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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Continuing Care Retirement Communities - Entrance Deposits - Medicaid**
3 **Eligibility**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt
5 certain regulations or guidelines that develop and implement a policy requiring
6 continuing care retirement community entrance deposits to be considered an
7 available resource for determining Medicaid eligibility; requiring certain
8 regulations or guidelines to be applied prospectively from the effective date of
9 this Act; and generally relating to continuing care retirement community
10 entrance deposits and Medicaid eligibility.

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
12 MARYLAND, That:

13 (a) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall adopt regulations or
14 guidelines that develop and implement a policy requiring continuing care retirement
15 community entrance deposits that are available for the maintenance and support of a
16 resident to be considered an available resource for the determination of Medicaid
17 eligibility.

18 (b) The regulations or guidelines adopted under subsection (a) of this section
19 shall apply prospectively from the effective date of this Act.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
21 July 1, 2005.