

ENROLLED BILL

-- Health and Government Operations/Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs --

Introduced by ~~Delegate Hubbard~~ **Delegates Hubbard, Hammen, Barve, Benson, Bromwell, Costa, Donoghue, Elliott, Frank, Kach, Kohl, Kullen, Mandel, McDonough, Morhaim, Murray, Nathan-Pulliam, Oaks, Pendergrass, Rudolph, V. Turner, and Weldon**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this _____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Government - Public Records - Personal Information About**
3 **Individuals with Disabilities**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring custodians of public records to deny inspection of the
5 part of a public record that contains personal information about individuals with
6 disabilities or individuals perceived to have a disability under certain
7 circumstances; *requiring certain custodians of public records to permit the*
8 *inspection of the part of a public record that gives the home address of a certain*
9 *licensee after the custodian redacts certain information from the record under*
10 *certain circumstances; providing for the application of certain provisions;*
11 *defining a certain term;* and generally relating to personal information about
12 individuals with disabilities in a public record.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

1 Article - State Government
 2 Section 10-617(a)
 3 Annotated Code of Maryland
 4 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 6 Article - State Government
 7 Section 10-617(b) and (h)(2)
 8 Annotated Code of Maryland
 9 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

12 **Article - State Government**

13 10-617.

14 (a) Unless otherwise provided by law, a custodian shall deny inspection of a
 15 part of a public record, as provided in this section.

16 (b) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "DISABILITY" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN §
 17 ~~20 OF~~ ARTICLE 49B, § 20 OF THE CODE.

18 (2) Subject to paragraph ~~(2)~~ (3) of this subsection, a custodian shall deny
 19 inspection of the part of a public record that contains:

20 (I) medical or psychological information about an individual, other
 21 than an autopsy report of a medical examiner; OR

22 (II) PERSONAL INFORMATION ABOUT AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A
 23 DISABILITY OR AN INDIVIDUAL PERCEIVED TO HAVE A DISABILITY.

24 ~~(2)~~ (3) A custodian shall permit the person in interest to inspect the
 25 public record to the extent permitted under § 4-304(a) of the Health - General Article.

26 (4) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

27 (I) A NURSING HOME AS DEFINED IN § 19-1401 OF THE HEALTH -
 28 GENERAL ARTICLE; OR

29 (II) AN ASSISTED LIVING FACILITY AS DEFINED IN § 19-1801 OF THE
 30 HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE.

31 (h) (2) A custodian shall permit inspection of the part of a public record that
 32 gives:

33 (i) the name of the licensee;

1 (ii) the business address of the licensee or, if the business address is
2 not available, the home address OF THE LICENSEE AFTER THE CUSTODIAN REDACTS
3 ALL INFORMATION, IF ANY, THAT IDENTIFIES THE LOCATION AS THE HOME
4 ADDRESS OF AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY AS DEFINED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF
5 THIS SECTION;

6 (iii) the business telephone number of the licensee;

7 (iv) the educational and occupational background of the licensee;

8 (v) the professional qualifications of the licensee;

9 (vi) any orders and findings that result from formal disciplinary
10 actions; and

11 (vii) any evidence that has been provided to the custodian to meet the
12 requirements of a statute as to financial responsibility.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 October 1, 2006.