

CHAPTER 385

(House Bill 236)

AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations – ~~Registered~~ Nurses – Dispensing Methadone

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain nurses to dispense methadone in a certain clinic licensed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in accordance with certain regulations developed and adopted by the State Board of Nursing and the State Board of Pharmacy; and generally relating to nurses dispensing methadone.

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 8–511

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

Article – Health Occupations

8–511.

A REGISTERED NURSE OR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE WORKING IN A METHADONE CLINIC LICENSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE MAY DISPENSE METHADONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH REGULATIONS JOINTLY DEVELOPED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD AND THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor, May 8, 2007.