

HOUSE BILL 1552

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Developmental Disabilities – Holly Center – Community Resource Center**
3 **Pilot Program**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to
5 implement a certain community resource center pilot program at Holly Center;
6 prohibiting the pilot program from taking the place of the residential services
7 provided by Holly Center; specifying the purposes of the pilot program;
8 requiring the pilot program to provide certain services and perform certain
9 tasks; requiring the Department to make certain reports to the General
10 Assembly on or before certain dates; providing for the termination of this Act;
11 defining a certain term; and generally relating to the community resource
12 center pilot program at Holly Center.

13 BY adding to

14 Article – Health – General

15 Section 7–518

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 Supplement)

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

20 **Article – Health – General**

21 **7–518.**

22 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “PILOT PROGRAM” MEANS THE COMMUNITY
23 RESOURCE CENTER PILOT PROGRAM AT HOLLY CENTER.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(B) (1) (I) THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE**
2 **SHALL IMPLEMENT A COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER PILOT PROGRAM AT**
3 **HOLLY CENTER.**

4 **(II) THE PILOT PROGRAM MAY NOT TAKE THE PLACE OF**
5 **THE RESIDENTIAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY HOLLY CENTER.**

6 **(2) THE PURPOSES OF THE PILOT PROGRAM ARE:**

7 **(I) TO ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE APPROPRIATE AND**
8 **COST-EFFECTIVE USE OF HOLLY CENTER; AND**

9 **(II) TO IMPROVE THE WELL-BEING OF RESIDENTS OF THE**
10 **EASTERN SHORE AND, TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, RESIDENTS OF THE**
11 **STATE WHO HAVE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.**

12 **(C) THE PILOT PROGRAM SHALL:**

13 **(1) BEGINNING ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2010, PROVIDE**
14 **HEALTH AND REFERRAL SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL**
15 **DISABILITIES WHO HAVE DIFFICULTY IN OBTAINING THE SERVICES WITHIN THE**
16 **COMMUNITY INCLUDING:**

17 **(I) BEHAVIOR INTERVENTION SERVICES;**

18 **(II) DENTAL SERVICES;**

19 **(III) JOB TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES;**

20 **(IV) MEDICAL SERVICES;**

21 **(V) NURSING SERVICES;**

22 **(VI) PHYSICAL MANAGEMENT CLINICS;**

23 **(VII) PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES; AND**

24 **(VIII) THERAPEUTIC RECREATIONAL CLINICS;**

25 **(2) BEGINNING ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2009, PROVIDE**
26 **RESPIRE CARE FOR FAMILIES CARING FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL**
27 **DISABILITIES IN THEIR HOMES;**

1 **(3) PARTNER WITH LOCAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES TO**
2 **PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES REGARDING THE**
3 **TREATMENT, HABILITATION, AND CARE OF INDIVIDUALS WITH**
4 **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, LOCATED IN THE COMMUNITY;**

5 **(4) PROVIDE TRAINING TO THE STAFF OF COMMUNITY SERVICE**
6 **PROVIDERS AND COMMUNITY-BASED CLINICIANS THAT SERVE INDIVIDUALS**
7 **WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES; AND**

8 **(5) SERVE AS AN ACADEMIC CENTER FOR PATIENT-CENTERED**
9 **RESEARCH THAT FOCUSES ON SOLVING MEDICAL AND DENTAL PROBLEMS**
10 **AFFECTING INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.**

11 **(D) THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE SHALL**
12 **REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE**
13 **STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE:**

14 **(1) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2010, ON:**

15 **(I) THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING RESPITE**
16 **CARE;**

17 **(II) THE COST OF PROVIDING THE RESPITE CARE; AND**

18 **(III) THE NUMBER OF STAFF PROVIDING RESPITE CARE**
19 **SERVICES; AND**

20 **(2) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2012, ON:**

21 **(I) THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING SERVICES;**

22 **(II) THE SERVICES THAT WERE PROVIDED TO THE**
23 **INDIVIDUALS;**

24 **(III) THE COST OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED;**

25 **(IV) THE STAFFING OF THE PILOT PROGRAM; AND**

26 **(V) THE EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**
27 **REGARDING TREATMENT, HABILITATION, AND CARE OF INDIVIDUALS WITH**
28 **DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, LOCATED IN THE COMMUNITY, THAT WERE**
29 **PROVIDED IN CONJUNCTION WITH LOCAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.**

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 June 1, 2009. It shall remain effective for a period 5 years and, at the end of May 31,
3 2014, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be
4 abrogated and of no further force and effect.