HOUSE BILL 1190

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By: Delegate Bromwell

Introduced and read first time: February 18, 2010 Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Health Occupations Boards - Discipline of Health Care Providers - Failure to Comply with Governor's Order

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing certain health occupations boards to take certain $\mathbf{5}$ actions against certain health care providers under certain circumstances and 6 subject to certain hearing provisions; prohibiting certain health care providers 7 from knowingly and willfully failing to comply with certain provisions of law; 8 subjecting certain health care providers to certain discipline under certain 9 circumstances; and generally relating to the discipline of health care providers for the failure to comply with the Governor's order relating to catastrophic 10 health emergencies. 11

- 12 BY adding to
- 13 Article Health Occupations
- 14 Section 1–214
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (2009 Replacement Volume)
- 17 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 18 Article Public Safety
- 19 Section 14–3A–03(c)
- 20 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 21 (2003 Volume and 2009 Supplement)
- 22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 23 Article Public Safety
- 24 Section 14–3A–08
- 25 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 26 (2003 Volume and 2009 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 2 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article – Health Occupations

4 **1–214.**

5 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "HEALTH CARE PROVIDER" MEANS A PERSON 6 WHO IS LICENSED, CERTIFIED, OR OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE A 7 HEALTH OCCUPATION UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

8 (B) SUBJECT TO THE HEARING PROVISIONS THAT GOVERN THE 9 DISCIPLINE OF A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER BY EACH RESPECTIVE HEALTH 10 OCCUPATION BOARD, A HEALTH OCCUPATION BOARD MAY REPRIMAND, PLACE 11 ON PROBATION, OR SUSPEND OR REVOKE A LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE OF ANY 12 HEALTH CARE PROVIDER UNDER THE BOARD'S JURISDICTION WHO FAILS TO 13 COMPLY WITH § 14–3A–03(C) OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE.

15 14–3A–03.

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16 (c) The Governor may order any health care provider, who does not 17 voluntarily participate, to participate in disease surveillance, treatment, and 18 suppression efforts or otherwise comply with the directives of the Secretary or other 19 designated official.

20 14–3A–08.

21 (a) (1) [A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS 22 SECTION, A person may not knowingly and willfully fail to comply with an order, 23 requirement, or directive issued under this subtitle.

[(b)] (2) A person who violates [subsection (a) of this section] PARAGRAPH
(1) OF THIS SUBSECTION is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to
imprisonment not exceeding 1 year or a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or both.

(B) (1) A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER LICENSED, CERTIFIED, OR
OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE A HEALTH OCCUPATION UNDER THE
HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE MAY NOT KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY FAIL
TO COMPLY WITH § 14–3A–03(C) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

31 (2) A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER WHO FAILS TO COMPLY WITH 32 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO DISCIPLINE 33 UNDER § 1–214 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE.

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1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 2 October 1, 2010.