

HOUSE BILL 89

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By: **Delegate Kipke**

Introduced and read first time: January 21, 2011

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Mental Hygiene – Admission Provisions – Definition of “Psychologist”**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “psychologist” for purposes of certain
4 provisions of law relating to admissions to certain mental health facilities.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
6 Article – Health – General
7 Section 10–601
8 Annotated Code of Maryland
9 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

12 **Article – Health – General**

13 10–601.

14 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

15 (b) “Clinical social worker” means an individual who is licensed under Title
16 19 of the Health Occupations Article to practice clinical social work.

17 (c) “Licensed clinical marriage and family therapist” means an individual
18 who is licensed under Title 17, Subtitle 3A of the Health Occupations Article to
19 practice clinical marriage and family therapy.

20 (d) “Licensed clinical professional counselor” means an individual who is
21 licensed under Title 17, Subtitle 3A of the Health Occupations Article to practice
22 clinical professional counseling.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (e) “Physician” means an individual who is licensed under Title 14 of the
2 Health Occupations Article to practice medicine in this State.

3 (f) “Psychologist” means an individual who is[:

4 (1) Licensed] **LICENSED** under Title 18 of the Health Occupations
5 Article **TO PRACTICE PSYCHOLOGY**[: and

6 (2) Listed in the National Register of Health Service Providers in
7 Psychology].

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2011.