SENATE BILL 27

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By: Senator Simonaire

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A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	Health Care Facilities – Notification of Death of Resident Under Guardianship
4 5 6 7	FOR the purpose of requiring certain facilities to notify a guardian and an interested family member of the death of a resident under guardianship; defining a certain term; and generally relating to notification of the death of a resident under guardianship in a facility.
8 9 10 11 12	BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments, Article – Health – General Section 19–344(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)
13 14 15 16 17	BY adding to Article – Health – General Section 19–344(s) Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)
18 19	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
20	Article - Health - General
21	19–344.
22 23	(a) To carry out the policy set forth in § 19–343 of this subtitle, the following procedures are required for all services provided to a resident of a facility.

1	(S) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "INTERESTED FAMILY MEMBER" MEANS
2	A FAMILY MEMBER OF A RESIDENT UNDER GUARDIANSHIP WHO HAS PROVIDED
3	A FACILITY WITH CONTACT INFORMATION.
4 5	(2) ON THE DEATH OF A RESIDENT UNDER GUARDIANSHIP, A FACILITY SHALL NOTIFY:
6	(I) THE GUARDIAN; AND
7	(II) AN INTERESTED FAMILY MEMBER.
8 9	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2012.