

# HOUSE BILL 1144

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By: **Delegates Jacobs, Arentz, Eckardt, Haddaway–Ricchio, Norman, and Smigiel**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Mental Hygiene Administration – Upper Shore Community Mental Health**  
3 **Center – Reopening and Maintenance**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring that the Upper Shore Community Mental Health Center  
5 be maintained under the direction of the Mental Hygiene Administration;  
6 declaring the intent of the General Assembly for the State to reopen the Center  
7 and the Administration to maintain the Center in accordance with certain  
8 provisions of law; and generally relating to the Mental Hygiene Administration  
9 and the reopening and maintenance of the Upper Shore Community Mental  
10 Health Center.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article – Health – General  
13 Section 10–406(a)  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Health – General**

19 10–406.

20 (a) The following State facilities shall be maintained under the direction of  
21 the Administration:

22 (1) Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center;

23 (2) Eastern Shore Hospital Center;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1                   (3)    Regional Institutes for Children and Adolescents – Baltimore and  
2 Rockville;
- 3                   (4)    Springfield Hospital Center;
- 4                   (5)    Spring Grove Hospital Center; [and]
- 5                   (6)    Thomas B. Finan Hospital Center; AND
- 6                   **(7)    UPPER SHORE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER.**

7                   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the  
8 General Assembly for the State to reopen the Upper Shore Community Mental Health  
9 Center in Chestertown, Maryland, that was closed in 2010 and for the facility to be  
10 maintained under the direction of the Mental Hygiene Administration in accordance  
11 with the appropriate provisions of the Health – General Article and the Code of  
12 Maryland Regulations.

13                   SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
14 October 1, 2014.