

SENATE BILL 279

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CF HB 251

By: ~~Senators Feldman, Beidle, Benson, Guzzone, Klausmeier, Kramer, and Zucker~~
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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Aging – Grants for Aging-in-Place Programs**
3 **(Nonprofits for our Aging Neighbors Act – “NANA”)**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Aging to make grants to certain
5 nonprofit organizations and area agencies on aging to expand and establish certain
6 aging-in-place programs for seniors; authorizing certain nonprofit organizations
7 and area agencies on aging to apply to the Department for a certain State grant;
8 requiring the Department to publicize the availability of certain State grants to
9 eligible organizations at least a certain time period before the applications are due;
10 establishing a certain eligibility requirement for a certain nonprofit organization or
11 area agency on aging to receive a certain State grant; providing that the funding for
12 certain State grants shall be as provided by the Governor in the State budget;
13 requiring the Department to notify a certain area agency on aging within a certain
14 period of time after a grant is awarded to a nonprofit within the agency’s jurisdiction;
15 authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term;
16 and generally relating to State grants to nonprofit organizations for aging-in-place
17 programs.

18 BY adding to

19 Article – Human Services

20 Section 10-1201 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 12. Miscellaneous Grant
21 Programs”

22 Annotated Code of Maryland

23 (2007 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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

3 **Article – Human Services**

4 **SUBTITLE 12. MISCELLANEOUS GRANT PROGRAMS.**

5 **10–1201.**

6 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “AGING–IN–PLACE PROGRAM” MEANS A PROGRAM OR
7 SERVICE THAT ENABLES AN INDIVIDUAL TO LIVE IN THE INDIVIDUAL’S OWN HOME
8 AND COMMUNITY SAFELY, INDEPENDENTLY, AND COMFORTABLY, REGARDLESS OF
9 AGE, INCOME, OR ABILITY LEVEL.

10 (B) THE DEPARTMENT MAY MAKE GRANTS TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS
11 AND AREA AGENCIES ON AGING TO EXPAND AND ESTABLISH AGING–IN–PLACE
12 PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS.

13 (C) ANY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION OR AREA AGENCY ON AGING MAY
14 APPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR A STATE GRANT TO BE APPLIED TOWARD THE
15 COST OF EXPANDING OR ESTABLISHING AN AGING–IN–PLACE PROGRAM THAT
16 PROVIDES TO SENIORS:

17 (1) ASSISTANCE WITH THE COSTS OF IN–HOME PERSONAL CARE
18 SERVICES FOR ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING, INCLUDING BATHING, PERSONAL
19 HYGIENE AND GROOMING, DRESSING, TOILETING, FUNCTIONAL MOBILITY, FOOD
20 PREPARATION, LAUNDRY, AND HOUSE CLEANING;

21 (2) PSYCHOLOGICAL, ECONOMIC, OR FUNCTIONAL ASSISTANCE TO
22 ENABLE SUCCESSFUL HEALTH MANAGEMENT, ACCESS TO MEDICAL CARE, OR
23 COMPLIANCE WITH TREATMENT RECOMMENDATIONS;

24 (3) AWARENESS OF AND ACCESS TO RESOURCES, SERVICES, AND
25 BENEFITS;

26 (4) SUPPORT SERVICES AND CARE COORDINATION;

27 (5) AFFORDABLE TRANSPORTATION; OR

28 (6) ASSISTANCE MAKING IN–HOME MODIFICATIONS OR REPAIRS TO
29 IMPROVE SAFETY, MOBILITY, AND ACCESSIBILITY.

30 (D) TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A STATE GRANT TO EXPAND AN EXISTING
31 AGING–IN–PLACE PROGRAM UNDER THIS SECTION, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION OR

1 AREA AGENCY ON AGING SHALL DEMONSTRATE AN EQUAL MATCH FOR FUNDS
2 REQUESTED.

3 (E) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PUBLICIZE THE AVAILABILITY OF GRANT
4 OPPORTUNITIES UNDER THE AGING-IN-PLACE PROGRAM TO ELIGIBLE
5 ORGANIZATIONS AT LEAST 6 WEEKS BEFORE GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE DUE.

6 ~~(F)~~ (F) THE AMOUNT OF THE STATE GRANT FOR AN AGING-IN-PLACE
7 PROGRAM SHALL BE DETERMINED AFTER CONSIDERATION OF:

8 (1) ALL ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS;

9 (2) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF STATE FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR GRANTS;
10 AND

11 (3) THE PRIORITIES OF AREA NEED AS MAY BE ESTABLISHED BY THE
12 DEPARTMENT IN CONSULTATION WITH AREA AGENCIES ON AGING AND IN
13 ALIGNMENT WITH AREA PLANS ON AGING.

14 ~~(G)~~ (G) FUNDING FOR THE STATE GRANTS UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL
15 BE AS PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNOR IN THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET.

16 (H) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY AN AREA AGENCY ON AGING WITHIN
17 2 WEEKS AFTER A GRANT AWARD TO A NONPROFIT LOCATED WITHIN THE
18 JURISDICTION OF THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING.

19 ~~(I)~~ (I) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS FOR RECEIVING
20 AND CONSIDERING APPLICATIONS AND FOR DISBURSING FUNDS TO APPLICANTS.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
22 1, 2019.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.