

SENATE BILL 279

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A BILL ENTITLED

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 to expand and establish certain aging-in-place programs for
6 seniors; authorizing certain nonprofit organizations to apply to the Department for
7 a certain State grant; establishing a certain eligibility requirement for a certain
8 nonprofit organization to receive a certain State grant; providing that the funding
9 for certain State grants shall be as provided by the Governor in the State budget;
10 authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term;
11 and generally relating to State grants to nonprofit organizations for aging-in-place
12 programs.

13 BY adding to

14 Article – Human Services
15 Section 10–1201 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 12. Miscellaneous Grant
16 Programs”
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2007 Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Human Services**

22 **SUBTITLE 12. MISCELLANEOUS GRANT PROGRAMS.**

23 **10–1201.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

5 **(B) THE DEPARTMENT MAY MAKE GRANTS TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**
6 **TO EXPAND AND ESTABLISH AGING–IN–PLACE PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS.**

7 **(C) ANY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION MAY APPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR**
8 **A STATE GRANT TO BE APPLIED TOWARD THE COST OF EXPANDING OR**
9 **ESTABLISHING AN AGING–IN–PLACE PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES TO SENIORS:**

10 **(1) ASSISTANCE WITH THE COSTS OF IN–HOME PERSONAL CARE**
11 **SERVICES FOR ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING, INCLUDING BATHING, PERSONAL**
12 **HYGIENE AND GROOMING, DRESSING, TOILETING, FUNCTIONAL MOBILITY, FOOD**
13 **PREPARATION, LAUNDRY, AND HOUSE CLEANING;**

14 **(2) PSYCHOLOGICAL, ECONOMIC, OR FUNCTIONAL ASSISTANCE TO**
15 **ENABLE SUCCESSFUL HEALTH MANAGEMENT, ACCESS TO MEDICAL CARE, OR**
16 **COMPLIANCE WITH TREATMENT RECOMMENDATIONS;**

17 **(3) AWARENESS OF AND ACCESS TO RESOURCES, SERVICES, AND**
18 **BENEFITS;**

19 **(4) SUPPORT SERVICES AND CARE COORDINATION;**

20 **(5) AFFORDABLE TRANSPORTATION; OR**

21 **(6) ASSISTANCE MAKING IN–HOME MODIFICATIONS OR REPAIRS TO**
22 **IMPROVE SAFETY, MOBILITY, AND ACCESSIBILITY.**

23 **(D) TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A STATE GRANT TO EXPAND AN EXISTING**
24 **AGING–IN–PLACE PROGRAM UNDER THIS SECTION, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION**
25 **SHALL DEMONSTRATE AN EQUAL MATCH FOR FUNDS REQUESTED.**

26 **(E) THE AMOUNT OF THE STATE GRANT FOR AN AGING–IN–PLACE**
27 **PROGRAM SHALL BE DETERMINED AFTER CONSIDERATION OF:**

28 **(1) ALL ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS;**

29 **(2) THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF STATE FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR GRANTS;**

30 **AND**

1 **(3) THE PRIORITIES OF AREA NEED AS MAY BE ESTABLISHED BY THE**
2 **DEPARTMENT.**

3 **(F) FUNDING FOR THE STATE GRANTS UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE AS**
4 **PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNOR IN THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET.**

5 **(G) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS FOR RECEIVING AND**
6 **CONSIDERING APPLICATIONS AND FOR DISBURSING FUNDS TO APPLICANTS.**

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
8 1, 2019.