

SENATE BILL 197

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CF HB 39

By: **Senator Ellis**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Residential Service Agencies – Reimbursement – Personal Assistance Services**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Department of Health to reimburse a
4 residential service agency for personal assistance services only if the personal
5 assistance services are provided by an individual classified as an employee; and
6 generally relating to reimbursements to residential service agencies.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

8 Article – Health – General

9 Section 19–4A–10

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2023 Replacement Volume)

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

14 **Article – Health – General**

15 19–4A–10.

16 **(A)** Except as provided by federal law, licensure under this subtitle does not
17 entitle a residential service agency to reimbursement by a third party payor.

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 **(B) THE DEPARTMENT MAY REIMBURSE A RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCY**
 2 **FOR PERSONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES ONLY IF THE PERSONAL ASSISTANCE**
 3 **SERVICES ARE PROVIDED BY AN INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFIED AS AN EMPLOYEE.**

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 5 ~~October 1, 2025~~ January 1, 2026.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.