

HOUSE BILL 1010

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By: **Delegate Kipke**

Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2017

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Health – Certified Recovery Residences – Urine Testing**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring a certain credentialing entity to establish minimum
4 standards requiring certain residents and employees of a certain recovery residence
5 to submit to a urine test at a certain frequency and of a certain type; requiring a
6 certain credentialing entity to establish minimum standards requiring certain
7 recovery residences to maintain a certain record; and generally relating to minimum
8 standards for urine testing of residents and employees of recovery residences.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Health – General
11 Section 19–2501
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article – Health – General
16 Section 19–2502
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Health – General**

22 19–2501.

23 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



(b) “Certificate of compliance” means a certificate that is issued to a recovery residence by a credentialing entity.

(c) “Certified recovery residence” means a recovery residence that holds a certificate of compliance.

(d) “Credentialing entity” means a nonprofit organization that develops and administers professional certification programs according to nationally recognized certification standards.

(e) “Recovery residence” has the meaning stated in § 7.5–101 of this article. 19–2502.

(a) The Department shall approve a credentialing entity to develop and administer a certification process for recovery residences.

(b) The credentialing entity shall:

(1) Establish recovery residence certification requirements;

(2) **ESTABLISH MINIMUM STANDARDS REQUIRING:**

(I) RESIDENTS AND EMPLOYEES OF A CERTIFIED RECOVERY RESIDENCE TO SUBMIT TO A URINE TEST AT A FREQUENCY AND OF A TYPE DETERMINED BY THE CREDENTIALING ENTITY; AND

(II) THE CERTIFIED RECOVERY RESIDENCE TO MAINTAIN A RECORD, THAT WILL BE SUBJECT TO INSPECTION BY THE CREDENTIALING ENTITY, OF ANY URINE TESTING SUPPLIES PURCHASED BY THE CERTIFIED RECOVERY RESIDENCE;

(3) Establish processes to administer the application, certification, and recertification process;

[(3)](4) Establish processes to monitor and inspect a recovery residence;

[(4)](5) Conduct an on-site inspection of a recovery residence:

(i) Before issuing a certificate of compliance; and

(ii) At least once during each certification renewal period; and

[(5)](6) Issue a certificate of compliance on approval of the application process and the inspection of the recovery residence.

1 (c) A certificate of compliance issued by the credentialing entity is valid for 1 year
2 from the date of issuance.

3 (d) The credentialing entity may revoke the certificate of compliance of a certified
4 recovery residence if the credentialing entity finds that the recovery residence is not in
5 compliance with the requirements established by the credentialing entity.

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2017.