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Developmental Disabilities Administration – Medicaid Fair Hearings

- 3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide
- 4 notice and an opportunity for a Medicaid fair hearing to certain applicants and
- 5 recipients of Developmental Disabilities Administration Medicaid waiver services;
- and generally relating to Developmental Disabilities Administration hearings.
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 8 Article Health General
- 9 Section 7–406
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
- 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 7–406.
- 16 (a) If a recipient of Medicaid—waiver services is denied services to be provided in
- accordance with a plan of habilitation under § 7–1006 of this title, the **THE** Secretary shall
- 18 provide [the individual with] notice and an opportunity for a Medicaid fair hearing in
- 19 accordance with Title 10, Subtitle 2 of the State Government Article and federal Medicaid
- 20 law **TO**:
- 21 (1) AN APPLICANT FOR ADMINISTRATION MEDICAID WAIVER
- 22 SERVICES WHO IS DENIED ELIGIBILITY FOR THE SERVICES;

- 1 (2) AN APPLICANT FOR ADMINISTRATION MEDICAID WAIVER 2 SERVICES WHO CONTESTS THE PRIORITY CATEGORY ASSIGNED TO THE APPLICANT 3 FOR THE SERVICES; AND
- 4 (3) A RECIPIENT OF ADMINISTRATION MEDICAID WAIVER SERVICES
 5 WHOSE REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL OR DIFFERENT ADMINISTRATION MEDICAID
 6 WAIVER SERVICES IS DENIED.
- 7 (b) (1) [Subject to] **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN** subsection (a) of this section, an 8 applicant for services or a recipient of services under this title may:
- 9 (i) Request an informal hearing before the Secretary's designee on any action or inaction of the Secretary made under this title; and
- 11 (ii) Request the Secretary to review the decision of the informal 12 hearing.
- 13 (2) After the Secretary receives a request for a review, the Secretary shall conduct the review in accordance with Title 10, Subtitle 2 of the State Government Article.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 16 1, 2015.