

# HOUSE BILL 613

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By: **Delegates Ali and Morhaim**

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Renaming Act**

3 FOR the purpose of renaming the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to be the  
4 Department of Health; renaming the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene  
5 to be the Secretary of Health; providing that letterhead, business cards, and  
6 other documents reflecting the renaming of the Department may not be used  
7 until all letterhead, business cards, and other documents already in print and  
8 reflecting the name of the Department before the effective date of this Act are  
9 used; requiring the publisher of the Annotated Code to make certain corrective  
10 changes; and generally relating to the renaming of the Department of Health  
11 and Mental Hygiene.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
13 Article – Health – General  
14 Section 1–101(a)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2009 Replacement Volume)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
18 Article – Health – General  
19 Section 1–101(c) and (k), 2–101, and 2–102(a)  
20 Annotated Code of Maryland  
21 (2009 Replacement Volume)

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

24 **Article – Health – General**

25 1–101.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) In this article the following words have the meanings indicated.

2 (c) “Department” means the Department of Health [and Mental Hygiene].

3 (k) “Secretary” means the Secretary of Health [and Mental Hygiene].

4 2–101.

5 There is a Department of Health [and Mental Hygiene], established as a  
6 principal department of the State government.

7 2–102.

8 (a) The head of the Department is the Secretary of Health [and Mental  
9 Hygiene], who shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the  
10 Senate.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That letterhead, business  
12 cards, and other documents reflecting the renaming of the Department of Health and  
13 Mental Hygiene to be the Department of Health may not be used until all letterhead,  
14 business cards, and other documents already in print and reflecting the name of the  
15 Department before the effective date of this Act have been used.

16 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the publisher of the  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland, in consultation with and subject to the approval of the  
18 Department of Legislative Services, shall correct, with no further action required by  
19 the General Assembly, cross–references to the Department of Health and Mental  
20 Hygiene and the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene rendered incorrect by this  
21 Act. The publisher shall adequately describe any such correction in an editor’s note  
22 following the section affected.

23 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
24 October 1, 2010.