

Chapter 36

**(House Bill 60)**

AN ACT concerning

**Rehabilitation Services – Disability – Definition**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “disability” relating to the provision of rehabilitation services in the State to align with a certain federal law; and generally relating to the definition of disability and rehabilitation services.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article – Education  
Section 21–301(a)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Education  
Section 21–301(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

**Article – Education**

21–301.

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

(b) “Disability” means any [defect or infirmity that may incapacitate an individual totally or partially for gainful] **PHYSICAL OR MENTAL IMPAIRMENT THAT CONSTITUTES OR RESULTS IN A SUBSTANTIAL IMPEDIMENT TO** employment or independent living.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

**Approved by the Governor, April 9, 2024.**