

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 43C – Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority

Section 3(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

Article 43C – Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority

3.

As used in this article, the following words and terms shall have the following meanings unless the context indicates another or different meaning or intent:

(h) (1) “Hospital” means a hospital, a related institution or a combination of a hospital and a related institution, located within this State and either meeting the requirements of and having a license or licenses as required by § 19–318 of the Health – General Article or, in the case of a new institution, having a precicensing certification or recertification from the State Health Planning and Development Agency and being or to be, in fact, a health care facility available to the general public maintained and operated as a nonprofit institution by some person, association, municipal or other corporation, or other agency, or a nonprofit corporation organized for the purpose of constructing or acquiring such a hospital, related institution or combination of a hospital and a related institution.

(2) “Hospital” includes:

(i) Nonprofit comprehensive health centers providing out-patient primary health services available to the general public, but does not include any facility as described in this item which is owned and operated by the State, except that with the approval of the Board of Public Works and the Joint Audit Committee of the General Assembly the term includes medical or health care facilities of the University System of Maryland;

(ii) Nonprofit life care or continuing care communities providing self-contained residence facilities for the retired or elderly, but does not include any facility as described in this item which is owned and operated by the State unless approved by the Board of Public Works and the Joint Audit Committee of the General Assembly;

(iii) Any combination of any of the facilities and centers enumerated in items (i) and (ii) of this paragraph; [and]

(iv) Any entity affiliated or associated with a hospital, as defined in paragraph (1) of this subsection or item (i), (ii), or (iii) of this paragraph, provided that the Authority determines by resolution that the financing of a project for that entity serves the public purposes of the hospital; AND