

BLIND PERSONS

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(A) *It is unlawful for an owner or operator of a place of public accommodation or an agent or employee of said owner or operator, because of the blindness of any person, to refuse, withhold from, or deny to such person any of the accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges of such place of public accommodation. For the purpose of this subtitle, a place of public accommodation means any hotel, restaurant, inn, motel or an establishment commonly known or recognized as regularly engaged in the business of providing sleeping accommodations, or serving food, or both, for a consideration, and which is open to the general public. When any blind person, seeking admission to a place of public accommodation for himself and his ~~guide dog~~ DOG GUIDE properly identifies himself and has his ~~guide dog~~ DOG GUIDE on leash both dog and master shall be admitted.*

(b) *Any person violating subsection (a) hereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than \$50.00.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1964.*

Approved April 7, 1964.

CHAPTER 138

(House Bill 17)

AN ACT to authorize the creation of a State debt in the aggregate amount of ~~Seventy five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000)~~ FIFTY MILLION DOLLARS (\$50,000,000) for the purpose of aiding in the financing of certain loans to be made to voluntary non-profit hospitals for the construction, expansion, relocation, replacement or modernization of their hospital buildings, facilities and equipment; providing generally for the terms and conditions of creating this debt and for expending funds thereunder; providing generally for the issue and sale of certificates evidencing this loan; ~~and providing for the commitment of the political subdivision in which a hospital or proposed hospital is located, SAID POLITICAL SUBDIVISION TO INCLUDE ONLY A COUNTY OR COUNTIES OR BALTIMORE CITY,~~ to indemnify the State of Maryland in the event of any default in such a loan; and to add new Sections 568A to 568G, inclusive, to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1963 Supplement), title "Health", subtitle "Hospitals", to follow immediately after Section 568 thereof, and to be under the new subheading "Maryland Hospital Commission", creating in Maryland a Hospital Commission to administer the lending of the monies wherever referred to; providing generally for the membership, staff, powers and duties of this Commission; relating to the powers and duties of certain other State officials and agencies in relation to this program; establishing procedures and criteria