

Health Service Act in order to make corrective and clarifying amendments thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 566(a) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Health," subtitle "Hospitals and Related Institutions," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

566.

(a) The State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene is hereby designated as the sole agency to represent the State of Maryland for the purposes of [Part C,] Title VI of the Public Health Service Act, as enacted by [Public Law 725 of] the [79th] Congress of the United States, and all amendments thereof and additions thereto, providing grants to states for the construction and reconstruction of hospitals and related facilities. There is hereby conferred upon the State Board of Health the powers necessary for it to comply with the provisions relating to the sole State agency representing the State of Maryland for the purposes stated in [Part C of] said [Public Law 725] Act and all amendments thereof and additions thereto, and contained in any part of said Title VI [of Public Law 725], and all amendments thereof and additions thereto.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1968.

Approved May 7, 1968.

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CHAPTER 709

(House Bill 700)

AN ACT to repeal Sections 568A, 568C and 568E, to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, 568B and 568D, and to enact new Section 568A, all such Sections being part of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Health," subtitle "Maryland Hospital Commission," to abolish the Maryland Hospital Commission and to transfer the powers, duties, and functions of the Commission to the State Department of Health; to further provide that the Health Department shall assume all obligations which heretofore were those of the Maryland Hospital Commission and shall become a party to any contract or instrument executed by the Commission, in place of the Commission and matters generally relating thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 568A, 568C, and 568E of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume) title, "Health," subtitle "Maryland Hospital Commission," be, and hereby are, repealed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That new Section 568A of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement