

AN ACT concerning

Health Services Cost Review Commission -
Related Institutions

FOR the purpose of excluding certain related institutions from the jurisdiction of the Health Services Cost Review Commission; and renumbering certain provisions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 43 - Health
Section 568H, 568-I, 568U(d), and 568W(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 568H, 568-I, 568U(d), and 568W(b) of Article 43 - Health, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

568H.

In creating the Health Services Cost Review Commission, the intent of the Maryland General Assembly shall be as follows:

[a.] (1) The purpose of this subtitle is to create a commission which will beginning July 1, 1971, cause the public disclosure of the financial position of all hospitals and related institutions and the verified total costs actually incurred by each such institution in rendering health services, computed by methods the Commission prescribes; and which after the expiration of three or four additional years, as hereinafter set forth, will also review and certify as to the reasonableness of the rates established by these institutions. It will also be the Commission's responsibility to keep itself informed as to whether the financial resources of each institution are sufficient to meet its financial requirements and to concern itself with solutions when resources are inadequate.

[b.] (2) From and after July 1, 1974, an additional responsibility of this Commission is to assure all purchasers of health care hospital services that the total costs of the hospital are reasonably related to the total services offered by the hospital; that the hospital's aggregate rates are set in reasonable relationship to the hospital's aggregate costs; and that rates are set equitably among all purchasers of services