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Approved May 16, 1978.

CHAPTER 579

(House Bill 201)

AN ACT concerning

Hospitals and Related Institutions - Inspections

FOR the purpose of specifying that any part of a building containing part of a licensed hospital or related institution and any surrounding outbuilding are part of a facility and subject to periodic inspection for certain purposes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 43 - Health
Section 561(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

561.

(a) The Board, or its designated agent, shall periodically inspect each hospital and related institution in this State for compliance with the rules and regulations established by the Board. ANY PART OF A BUILDING THAT CONTAINS PART OF A LICENSED HOSPITAL OR RELATED INSTITUTION AND ANY SURROUNDING OUTBUILDING IS CONSIDERED PART OF THE FACILITY AND IS SUBJECT TO INSPECTION TO DETERMINE OCCUPANCY STATUS FOR LICENSURE PURPOSES. The inspections shall take place on an unannounced basis at least twice a year. The findings of the inspections, whether carried out on an announced or unannounced basis, shall be reported to the General Assembly during its annual session.

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