

(N) "LIVING SPACE" INCLUDES TWO OR MORE ROOMS, A DIRECT EXIT TO A THOROUGHFARE OR TO A COMMON ELEMENT LEADING TO A THOROUGHFARE, AND FACILITIES FOR COOKING, LIVING, SLEEPING, EATING, AND A SANITARY ENVIRONMENT.

(O) "FACILITIES FOR COOKING" INCLUDES A REFRIGERATOR, A COOK TOP, ADEQUATE ELECTRICAL CAPACITY AND OUTLETS FOR SMALL APPLIANCES, STORAGE SPACE FOR FOOD, AND UTENSILS.

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(A) [No] A person [shall] MAY NOT establish, conduct, maintain or operate in the State of Maryland any hospital or related institution without first having obtained a license as required in § 559 of this subtitle.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981, except that any sheltered housing for the elderly which has been certified by the Office on Aging prior to July 1, 1981, shall not be subject to certification under the "Hospitals and Related Institutions" subtitle of Article 43 of the Code.

Approved May 19, 1981.

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CHAPTER 763

(House Bill 938)

AN ACT concerning

Right to Perform Agricultural Operations

FOR the purpose of providing that agricultural operations that have been in operation for 1 year or more may not be or become a public or private nuisance; defining a term; providing exceptions; providing for the prospective effect of this Act; and providing that certain obligations or contracts are not impaired by this Act.

BY adding to

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
Section 5-308  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1980 Replacement Volume and 1980 Supplement)

Preamble

The General Assembly finds that the protection and encouragement of agricultural operations which produce food and other agricultural products is necessary for the