

Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of the Mid-Atlantic States, Inc. and Shady Grove Adventist Hospital shall report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on the status of negotiations for payment of services at the freestanding medical facility pilot project established under § 19-3A-07, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.

SECTION 2. 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~July 1~~ June 1, 2005 and, with respect to the application of § 19-120(k)(5)(viii) of the Health - General Article, this Act shall be implemented based on the Maryland Health Care Commission regulations in effect on that date and generally applicable to all hospital projects considered under that provision.

Approved May 26, 2005.

CHAPTER 550

(Senate Bill 231)

AN ACT concerning

Hospitals - Emergency Department Services - Satellite Locations
Freestanding Medical Facilities - Licensing and Pilot Project

~~FOR the purpose of exempting from certificate of need requirements the establishment of certain emergency department services at a satellite location of an acute care general hospital under certain circumstances; altering certain definitions; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the regulation of hospital emergency department services at satellite locations.~~

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations for licensing a certain freestanding medical facility; requiring a freestanding medical facility to meet certain standards; requiring the Department to issue a license to a freestanding medical facility that meets licensure requirements and receives approval from the Maryland Health Care Commission; providing for a certain exception; authorizing the Department to impose certain sanctions against a freestanding medical facility under certain circumstances; requiring the Department, before imposing certain sanctions, to give notice and the opportunity for a hearing and judicial review under the Administrative Procedure Act; requiring the Department, before imposing a directed plan of correction, to give notice and the opportunity for a certain informal hearing; establishing a freestanding medical facility pilot project; requiring the Department to issue a freestanding medical facility license to a freestanding medical facility pilot project under certain circumstances; requiring a freestanding medical facility pilot project to provide to the Maryland Health Care Commission certain information; providing that a certificate of need is not required for a freestanding medical facility pilot project; requiring certain entities to pay claims submitted by a freestanding medical facility pilot project at certain rates; requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to