

## Article - Commercial Law

11-203.

This subtitle does not make illegal the activity of:

(13) A HOSPITAL, AS DEFINED IN § 19-301 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE, IN THE COURSE OF A MERGER OR CONSOLIDATION OR THE JOINT OWNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF MAJOR MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, TO THE EXTENT THAT THE ACTIVITY IS APPROVED BY THE HEALTH RESOURCES PLANNING COMMISSION UNDER § 19-123 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE.

Article 41 - Governor - Executive and Administrative  
Departments

206E.

(A) THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SHALL ESTABLISH A PROGRAM FOR THE RETRAINING AND PLACEMENT OF HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED AS A RESULT OF THE CLOSING OR DELICENSING OF A HOSPITAL OR THE MERGING OF HOSPITALS UNDER SECTION 19-325 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE.

(B) THE SECRETARY OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING AND THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS SECTION.

(C) THERE IS A HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES RETRAINING FUND. THE FUND SHALL BE USED:

(1) FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION; AND

(2) TO PAY ANY AND ALL EXPENSES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING IN ADMINISTERING THIS SECTION.

(D) ANY UNEXPENDED FUNDS REMAINING IN THE HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES RETRAINING FUND AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR MAY NOT REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.

Article 43C - Maryland Health and Higher  
Educational Facilities Authority

16A.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, "PUBLIC BODY OBLIGATION" MEANS ANY BOND, NOTE, EVIDENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS OR OTHER OBLIGATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF BORROWED MONEY ISSUED BY THE AUTHORITY, ANY PUBLIC BODY AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 31, § 9 OF THE CODE, THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, OR ANY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE XI-E OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION.

(B) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF PUBLIC BODY OBLIGATIONS OF A CLOSED OR DELICENSED HOSPITAL COULD HAVE A SERIOUS ADVERSE AFFECT EFFECT ON