of revenues sufficient to enable such carrier, under honest, economical, and efficient management, to provide such service, and upon consideration of such matters shall establish the need for proper revenue by determination of a fair and equitable operating ratio, which is the relationship of carrier expenses to carrier operating revenues.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.

Approved May 21, 1985.

CHAPTER 178

(Senate Bill 343)

AN ACT concerning

Freestanding Medical Facilities - Emergency Medical Care

FOR the purpose of establishing-certain-minimum-requirements--for requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations for certifying certain freestanding medical facilities that use certain words or parts of words in their advertising; requiring the Secretary Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to verify-compliance-with-certain provisions-of-this-Act-and--investigate--certain--complaints issue a certificate to a freestanding medical facility that meets certain requirements; requiring a freestanding medical facility to be certified before it may operate; allowing governing bodies to adopt certain rules and regulations on freestanding medical facilities; providing a certain penalty; authorizing injunctions against certain activities; defining certain terms; and generally relating to freestanding medical facilities and emergency medical care.

BY adding to

Article - Health - General
Section 19-3A-01 through 19-3A-05 19-3A-06, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 3A. Freestanding Medical Facilities"

Annotated Code of Maryland (1982 Volume and 1984 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Health - General