CHAPTER 44

(House Bill 200)

AN ACT concerning

Laboratory Tissue Banks - Medical and Technical Directors

FOR the purpose of providing that a tissue bank employ or contract with both a technical director and medical director; establishing the qualifications of the technical director and medical director; providing that the technical and medical director may be the same person under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the regulation of laboratory tissue banks.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General Section 17-303 Annotated Code of Maryland (1982 Volume and 1985 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

17-303.

- (a) The Secretary shall adopt rules and regulations that set qualifications for directors of tissue banks.
- (b) The rules and regulations shall require [the director of a tissue bank in this State to be a physician licensed to practice medicine in this State] THAT A TISSUE BANK IN THIS STATE EMPLOY OR RETAIN UNDER CONTRACT:
- (1) A TECHNICAL DIRECTOR, QUALIFIED BY TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE FOR THE SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES BEING PURSUED, WHO WILL OVERSEE AND BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF THE TISSUE BANK'S OPERATIONS; AND
- (2) A MEDICAL DIRECTOR. WHO WILL BE A PHYSICIAN LICENSED TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THIS STATE AND WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL MEDICAL ASPECTS OF THE TISSUE BANK'S OPERATIONS, UNLESS THE TECHNICAL DIRECTOR QUALIFIES AS A MEDICAL DIRECTOR UNDER THIS SECTION.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

Approved April 8, 1986.