

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 582.

This bill requires a physician to notify a fire fighter, emergency medical technician, or rescue squadman if the patient type have delivered has a contagious disease.

House Bill 1013, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 27, 1986, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 582.

Sincerely,  
Harry Hughes  
Governor

Senate Bill No. 582

AN ACT concerning

Exposure to Infectious Contagious Diseases - Notification and Benefits for Fire Fighters and, Emergency Medical Technicians, and Rescue Squadmen

FOR the purpose of requiring certain physicians to notify certain paid and volunteer fire fighters and, emergency medical technicians, or rescue squadmen if the fire fighter or, emergency medical technician, or rescue squadman comes into contact with certain patients with infectious contagious diseases; requiring that such notice be made within a certain period of time, include certain written protocol confirmation, and be conducted in a certain confidential fashion; ~~establishing--the--entitlement--of--certain--paid--and--volunteer--fire--fighters--to--receive--occupational--disability--benefits--and--certain--medical--treatment--if--exposed--to--an--infectious--disease--and--notified--as--required;--establishing--entitlement--to--an--occupational--infectious--death--benefit;~~ and generally relating to notification and--benefits--for of exposure of fire fighters and, emergency medical technicians exposed, and rescue squadmen to infectious contagious diseases.

BY adding to

Article - Health - General  
Section 18-213  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1982 Volume and 1985 Supplement)

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~~Article-30A---Fires-and-Investigations  
Section-7B~~