

(f) The Secretary of Personnel and the Secretary of ECONOMIC AND Employment [and Training] DEVELOPMENT shall adopt rules and regulations to implement this section.

[7-202.] 3-202.

(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 § 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.

Subtitle 3. Economic Stabilization Act

[7-301.] 3-301.

(a) In this [subheading] SUBTITLE the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) (1) "Employer" means any person, corporation, or other entity that employs at least 50 individuals and operates an industrial, commercial, or business enterprise in the State.

(2) "Employer" does not include the State or its political subdivisions or any employer who has been doing business in the State less than 1 year.

(c) "Reduction in operations" includes:

(1) The relocation of a part of an employer's operation from 1 workplace to another existing or proposed site; or

(2) The shutting down of a workplace or a portion of the operations of a workplace that reduces the number of employees by at least 25 percent or 15 employees, whichever is greater, over any 3-month period.