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the commencement of the 1990 Legislative Session concerning the effect of automation on the efficiency of the Division of Vital Records.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1989.

Approved May 19, 1989.

CHAPTER 342

(Senate Bill 534)

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Facilities - Admission Procedures - Anatomical Donations

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a hospital administrator ascertain and record a patient's organ or tissue donor status as part of standard admission procedures.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General Section 19-310 Annotated Code of Maryland (1987 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

19-310.

- (a) [As part of a hospital's standard, nonemergency admission procedures for a patient who needs inpatient or outpatient care, the hospital administrator or a designated representative of the administrator shall:
- (1) Ascertain whether the patient is currently an organ or tissue donor; and
- (2) Include the information under item (1) of this subsection on the admission form of the patient.