

- (vi) nurse practitioner;
- (vii) oral surgeon;
- (viii) physical therapist;
- (ix) physician; or
- (x) podiatrist.

~~(B) IF THE EMPLOYEE DOES NOT HAVE A RECORD OF SICK LEAVE ABUSE, THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE EMPLOYEE PRESENT AN ORIGINAL CERTIFICATE OF ILLNESS OR DISABILITY MAY BE WAIVED BY THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY FOR AN ILLNESS OR DISABILITY OF UP TO 5 DAYS WITHIN A 30 DAY PERIOD.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993.

Approved May 27, 1993.

CHAPTER 503

(House Bill 178)

AN ACT concerning

Creation of a State Debt – Atlantic General Hospital

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Worcester Memorial Hospital Corporation for the planning, design, construction, and equipping of the Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin in Worcester County, subject to the requirement that the Board of Directors of the Worcester Memorial Hospital Corporation and the Board of County Commissioners of Worcester County, as equal participants, provide and expend a matching fund and present, by a certain date, evidence that a matching fund will be provided; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Preamble

WHEREAS, It has been recognized for many years that because of the growing population of the Eastern Shore of Maryland there is an ever increasing need for a full-service hospital in this region of the State; and

WHEREAS, Every year there are many more Maryland residents traveling to the Eastern Shore to vacation, the result of which is a greater need for hospital services in this area; and

WHEREAS, It is agreed by the Department of General Services, the Board of Public Works, and the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning that \$15,000,000 in funds is needed for the erection of a full-service hospital on the Eastern Shore; and