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(c) A speed limit established under this section shall become effective when posted.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

Approved May 27, 1999.

## **CHAPTER 626**

(House Bill 360)

AN ACT concerning

## Continuing Care Communities - Certificate of Need Exemption Concurrent Direct Admissions

FOR the purpose of providing that a continuing care community does not lose its exemption from certificate of need requirements if the community admits to a nursing facility within the community certain individuals under certain circumstances; making technical corrections; and generally relating to continuing care communities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 19-101(f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health - General

Section 19-116.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

## Article - Health - General

19-101.

- (f) (1) "Health care facility" means:
  - (i) A hospital, as defined in § 19-301 of this title;
  - (ii) A related institution, as defined in § 19-301 of this title;
  - (iii) An ambulatory surgical facility;