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This subtitle does not make illegal the activity of:

(12) A political subdivision of the State in furnishing services or commodities; [or]

(13) A hospital, as defined in § 19-301 of the Health - General Article, in the course of a merger or consolidation or the joint ownership and operation of major medical equipment, to the extent that the activity is approved by the Health Resources Planning Commission under § 19-123 of the Health - General Article; OR

(14) ~~GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES AND PERSONS IN THE COURSE OF THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING MEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN TAKEN OR ARE TO BE TAKEN IN ORDER FOR PRODUCTS OR SERVICES OF THE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES OR PERSONS TO BECOME YEAR 2000-READY, AS DEFINED IN TITLE 21 OF THIS ARTICLE.~~

TITLE 21. MARYLAND YEAR 2000 COMMERCE PROTECTION ACT.

21-101.

(A) IN THIS TITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) "DATE DATA" MEANS DATA THAT CONTAINS DATES OR THAT CONTAINS BOTH DATES AND TIMES.

~~(C) "GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY" MEANS THE STATE, A COUNTY, OR A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, OR ANY UNIT OF THE STATE, A COUNTY, OR A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.~~

(C) "COMPLIANCE PLAN" MEANS A WRITTEN PLAN TO INVENTORY, ASSESS, OBTAIN INFORMATION FROM CRITICAL SUPPLIERS, TEST, SCHEDULE REPAIRS, REMEDIATE, AND PROVIDE A CONTINGENCY PLAN OF ACTION RELATING TO; Y2K DATE DATA PROBLEMS IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS AND PRODUCTS.

(D) "CRITICAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM OR PRODUCT" MEANS AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM OR PRODUCT THE FAILURE OF WHICH MAY RESULT IN AN IMMINENT AND SUBSTANTIAL THREAT TO PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY.

~~(D)~~ (E) "INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM OR PRODUCT" INCLUDES ANY SOFTWARE, FIRMWARE, MICROCODE, HARDWARE, EMBEDDED CHIPS, OR OTHER SYSTEM OR PRODUCT, OR ANY COMBINATION OF THOSE ITEMS, THAT CREATES, READS, WRITES, CALCULATES, COMPARES, SEQUENCES, OR OTHERWISE PROCESSES DATE DATA.

~~(E)~~ (F) "SOLUTION PROVIDER" MEANS ANY PERSON THAT ACCEPTS COMPENSATION OR OTHER VALUABLE CONSIDERATION FROM A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY OR PERSON TO:

(1) ASSESS WHETHER ANY OF THE GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES OR PERSON'S PRODUCTS OR SERVICES ARE YEAR 2000-READY; OR