

supplemental and additional to powers conferred upon the County by other laws and shall not be regarded as in derogation of any power now existing; and all Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland heretofore passed authorizing the County to borrow money are hereby continued to the extent that the powers contained in such Acts have not been exercised, and nothing contained in this Act may be construed to impair, in any way, the validity of any bonds that may have been issued by the County under the authority of any said Acts, and the validity of the bonds is hereby ratified, confirmed, and approved. This Act, being necessary for the welfare of the inhabitants of Garrett County, shall be liberally construed to effect the purposes hereof. All Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2008.

Approved by the Governor, April 24, 2008.

CHAPTER 319

(House Bill 1407)

AN ACT concerning

Birth Options Preservation ~~Act~~ Study

FOR the purpose of ~~prohibiting the State Board of Nursing from requiring nurse midwives to have certain written agreements with physicians; requiring nurse midwives to make available to the Board a copy of certain Practice Guidelines under certain circumstances; defining a certain term~~ requiring the State Board of Nursing and the State Board of Physicians to conduct a joint study on a requirement for a certain agreement between a certified nurse-midwife and a licensed physician; requiring that the Boards collaborate with certain entities; requiring that the study include a review of certain standards and ~~determine~~ certain recommendations; requiring the Boards to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to ~~the practice~~ a study of nurse midwifery.

~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,~~

~~Article Health Occupations~~

~~Section 8-601 and 8-602~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

~~(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)~~