

Health Care Commission certain information; providing that a certificate of need is not required for a freestanding medical facility pilot project; requiring certain entities to pay claims submitted by a freestanding medical facility pilot project at certain rates; requiring the Maryland Medical Assistance Program to pay certain claims at a certain rate; requiring certain provisions of law to apply to a freestanding medical facility pilot project; requiring certain provisions of law to apply to health maintenance organizations; requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with the Health Services Cost Review Commission and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to propose emergency regulations to establish a certain review process; requiring the regulations to include certain processes, criteria, and notice and hearing requirements; requiring a certain facility to provide certain information to the Maryland Health Care Commission; providing for an exemption from the review process; requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with the Health Services Cost Review Commission, to conduct a certain study and report the findings of the study to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission and Shady Grove Adventist Hospital to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date on certain progress with regard to the freestanding medical facility pilot project; requiring certain entities to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date on the status of certain negotiations; altering the definition of "freestanding medical facility" to provide that it is a facility that is an administrative part of a hospital or related institution; and generally relating to licensing of freestanding medical facilities and a freestanding medical facility pilot project.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section ~~19-120(p)~~ 19-131, 19-3A-07, and 19-706(ddd)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section ~~19-201(d)(1) and 19-301(g)~~ 19-3A-01 through 19-3A-03 and 19-3A-05

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Article – Health – General

Section ~~19-301(a)~~ 19-3A-04 and 19-3A-06

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