

Annotated Code of Maryland
(1993 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

Article - Environment

9-348.

(a) Grants or loans may be awarded under this section to any State or local governmental entity responsible by law for the provision of sewerage systems to finance the construction of sewerage systems needed to improve water quality whether or not the project is eligible for construction grant assistance under the Federal Clean Water Act.

(b) Projects which may receive financial assistance under this section include those providing for:

- (1) Chlorine removal;
- (2) Nitrogen removal; [or]

(3) PHOSPHORUS REMOVAL WHEN IN CONJUNCTION WITH A NITROGEN REMOVAL COST-SHARE GRANT; OR

[(3)](4) Wastewater collection or treatment otherwise undertaken to correct existing special water quality needs or an extraordinary public health problem.

(c) Grants or loans awarded under this section may be awarded for up to 100 percent of eligible costs.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1996.

Approved May 14, 1996.

CHAPTER 466

(House Bill 523)

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Facilities - Certificate of Need

FOR the purpose of specifying that a hospital may acquire certain health care facilities or group practices without obtaining a certificate of need under certain circumstances; providing that a hospital may not build or expand its ambulatory surgical capacity in certain settings without obtaining a certificate of need under certain circumstances; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to the circumstances under which hospitals must obtain a certificate of need.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,