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§12–510.

- (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
  - (2) (i) “Hotel” means an establishment that offers sleeping accommodations for compensation.
  - (ii) “Hotel” does not include a bed and breakfast establishment.
  - (3) “Master control device” means:
    - (i) a control that is activated when a person enters the room through the primary room–access method; or
    - (ii) an occupancy sensor control that is activated by a person’s presence in the room.
- (b) This section applies only to the new construction of hotels.
- (c) (1) Each hotel guest room shall be equipped with a master control device that automatically turns off the power to all of the lighting fixtures in the guest room no more than 30 minutes after the room has been vacated.
  - (2) A master control device may also control the heating, ventilation, or air conditioning default settings in hotel guest rooms 30 minutes after a room has been vacated by:
    - (i) increasing the set temperature by at least 3 degrees Fahrenheit when in the air conditioning mode; or
    - (ii) decreasing the set temperature by at least 3 degrees Fahrenheit when in the heating mode.
- (d) The Department shall adopt the provisions of this section as a part of the Maryland Building Performance Standards.

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