HOUSE BILL 107

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By: Montgomery County Delegation

Introduced and read first time: January 23, 2015

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Medical Professional Liability Insurance for Nonprofit Health Care Providers

3 MC 4–15

- FOR the purpose of requiring counties to provide certain minimum amounts of medical professional liability insurance coverage for certain nonprofit health care providers; providing for the construction of certain provisions of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to medical professional liability insurance for certain nonprofit health care providers.
- 9 BY adding to

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- 10 Article Insurance
- 11 Section 19–104.2
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2011 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)
- 14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 16 Article Insurance
- 17 **19–104.2.**

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- 18 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE PROVIDER" MEANS AN
- 19 ORGANIZATION, AN INSTITUTION, AN ASSOCIATION, A SOCIETY, OR A CORPORATION,
- 20 OTHER THAN A LICENSED HOSPITAL, THAT IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER §
- 21 **501(C)(3)** OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND THAT:
 - (1) PROVIDES HEALTH CARE SERVICES;

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- 1 **(2)** IS NOT COVERED BY THE FEDERAL TORT CLAIMS ACT; AND 2**(3)** HAS BEEN APPROVED BY THE COUNTY. 3 (B) A COUNTY SHALL PROVIDE A NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE PROVIDER WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION WITH MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE 4 THAT PROVIDES COVERAGE IN THE AMOUNT OF: 5 6 **(1)** \$200,000 PER OCCURRENCE OR CLAIM; AND 7 **(2)** \$500,000 PER TOTAL CLAIMS THAT ARISE FROM THE SAME 8 OCCURRENCE. 9 (C) THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED AS LIMITING THE LIABILITY OF 10 A NONPROFIT HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TO THE AMOUNT OF COVERAGE 11 DESIGNATED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2015.