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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Physician Assistants - Termination of Employment - Reporting Requirements

3 FOR the purpose of requiring employers of physician assistants to report to the State
4 Board of Physician Quality Assurance certain information concerning the
5 termination of a physician assistant under certain circumstances; establishing a
6 certain time frame for the reporting of certain information; requiring the Board to
7 adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to the requirement that employers
8 of physician assistants report to the Board any termination of employment of a
9 physician assistant relating to a quality of care issue.

10 BY adding to

11 Article - Health Occupations
12 Section 15-103
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

17 Article - Health Occupations

18 15-103.

19 (A) AN EMPLOYER OF A PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT SHALL REPORT TO THE
20 BOARD, ON THE FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE BOARD, ANY TERMINATION OF
21 EMPLOYMENT OF THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT IF THE CAUSE OF TERMINATION
22 RELATED TO A QUALITY OF CARE ISSUE.

23 (B) AN EMPLOYER SHALL MAKE THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER THIS
24 SECTION TO THE BOARD WITHIN 5 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF TERMINATION OF
25 EMPLOYMENT.

26 (C) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE
27 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
29 October 1, 1997.