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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_

## 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.

- 1 (B) AN EMPLOYER SHALL MAKE THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER THIS
- 2 SECTION TO THE BOARD WITHIN 5 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF TERMINATION OF
- 3 EMPLOYMENT.
- 4 (C) THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE
- 5 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.
- 6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 7 October 1, 1997.