By: **Delegates Heller, Bozman, Harrison, and Bonsack** Introduced and read first time: February 2, 1998 Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Public Elevators - Elevator Handrails in Health Care Facilities

3 FOR the purpose of providing that in certain health care facilities and certain

- 4 buildings used for medical purposes handrails shall be installed in elevators;
- 5 and generally relating to public elevators.

6 BY adding to

- 7 Article 89 Miscellaneous Business, Work, and Safety Provisions
- 8 Section 65 to be under the subheading "Public Elevators"
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article 89 - Miscellaneous Business, Work, and Safety Provisions

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Public Elevators

15 65.

16 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "HEALTH CARE FACILITY" HAS THE MEANING PROVIDED 17 IN § 19-101 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE.

(B) IN A HEALTH CARE FACILITY OR OTHER BUILDING IN WHICH 50 PERCENT
9 OF THE SPACE IS USED FOR MEDICAL PURPOSES, HANDRAILS SHALL BE INSTALLED
20 IN ALL NEW AND EXISTING ELEVATORS LOCATED WITHIN THE FACILITY OR
21 BUILDING.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 23 October 1, 1998.