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By: **Delegates Redmer, Boutin, Ports, Eckardt, and Hubbard**  
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Hospitals and Related Institutions - Staff Use and Privileges - Licensed**  
3 **Nurse Midwives**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring certain hospitals or related institutions to make  
5 provision for the use of their facilities by and staff privileges for certified nurse  
6 midwives; authorizing a hospital or related institution to restrict use of its  
7 facility and staff privileges by certified nurse midwives to those who meet  
8 certain qualifications of the hospital or related institution; providing for the  
9 construction of this Act; providing for the governance of the decision of a certain  
10 physician if there is a disagreement between a nurse midwife and the physician;  
11 and generally relating to the use of certain health care facilities by and staff  
12 privileges for certain certified nurse midwives.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
14 Article - Health - General  
15 Section 19-351  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

20 **Article - Health - General**

21 19-351.

22 (a) Except as provided in subsections (b) and (d) of this section, this subtitle  
23 does not affect the right of a hospital or related institution to employ or appoint staff.

24 (b) (1) A hospital or related institution that provides services that licensed  
25 podiatrists are authorized to perform under Title 16 of the Health Occupations  
26 Article, other than incidental care, shall include, in its bylaws, rules, or regulations,  
27 provisions for use of facilities by and staff privileges for qualified podiatrists.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2 October 1, 2000.