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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Hospitals - Uniform Security Codes for Hospitals - Establishment and**
3 **Implementation**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, in
5 consultation with certain associations, to develop a uniform set of security codes
6 for hospitals; requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations; requiring
7 hospitals to implement the provisions of certain regulations within a certain
8 time; and generally relating to a uniform set of security codes for hospitals.

9 BY adding to

10 Article - Health - General
11 Section 19-308.6
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2000 Replacement Volume)

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

16 **Article - Health - General**

17 19-308.6.

18 (A) THE SECRETARY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF
19 MARYLAND HOSPITALS AND HEALTH SYSTEMS AND THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION
20 OF HOSPITAL SECURITY AND SAFETY DIRECTORS, SHALL DEVELOP A UNIFORM SET
21 OF SECURITY CODES FOR HOSPITALS.

22 (B) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE
23 UNIFORM SET OF SECURITY CODES.

24 (C) EACH HOSPITAL IN MARYLAND SHALL IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF
25 THE UNIFORM SET OF SECURITY CODES FOR HOSPITALS WITHIN 2 YEARS OF THE
26 ADOPTION OF THE REGULATIONS BY THE SECRETARY.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 June 1, 2001.