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By: **Senator Haines**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Hospitals - Uniform Security Code 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 security code for
6 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 security code 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
21 SECURITY CODE FOR HOSPITALS.

22 (B) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE
23 UNIFORM SECURITY CODE.

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

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

