
By: **Delegate Barve**

Introduced and read first time: February 11, 2004

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Hospitals - Medical Residency Education Programs - Resident and Intern**
3 **Duty Hours**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring certain hospitals that offer medical residency education
5 programs to comply with certain requirements; requiring certain hospitals to
6 develop and implement certain policies and procedures relating to medical
7 residents and interns; and generally relating to medical residency education
8 programs and the duty hours of medical residents and interns.

9 BY adding to
10 Article - Health - General
11 Section 19-308.7
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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 19-308.7.

18 EACH HOSPITAL LICENSED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE THAT OFFERS A MEDICAL
19 RESIDENCY EDUCATION PROGRAM SHALL:

20 (1) COMPLY WITH THE DUTY HOUR REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICAL
21 RESIDENTS AND INTERNS ESTABLISHED BY THE ACCREDITATION COUNCIL FOR
22 GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION; AND

23 (2) DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT POLICIES THAT PROVIDE MEDICAL
24 RESIDENTS AND INTERNS WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO SLEEP FOR A MINIMUM OF 4
25 HOURS WITHIN EACH 24-HOUR TIME PERIOD THAT THE RESIDENT OR INTERN IS ON
26 DUTY.

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
28 October 1, 2004.

