

HOUSE BILL 204

J1

8lr0328

By: **Delegate King**

Introduced and read first time: January 22, 2008

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety - Pool Lifeguards - Regulation (Connor's Law)**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt
4 regulations requiring the owners of certain types of swimming pools to have a
5 certain number of lifeguards on duty when a certain number of individuals are
6 in the water; and generally relating to the regulation of swimming pools and
7 lifeguards.

8 BY adding to

9 Article - Health - General

10 Section 20-301.2

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Health - General**

16 **20-301.2.**

17 **THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT REQUIRE THE**
18 **OWNER OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF SWIMMING POOLS TO HAVE ONE**
19 **LIFEGUARD ON DUTY FOR EACH GROUP OF 25 OR FEWER INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE**
20 **IN THE WATER:**

21 **(1) A PUBLIC POOL;**

22 **(2) A RECREATIONAL POOL;**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (3) **A SEMIPUBLIC POOL THAT HAS A WATER SURFACE AREA**
2 **GREATER THAN 2,500 SQUARE FEET; OR**

3 (4) **A POOL WITHIN A MULTIPLE POOL FACILITY WITHIN ONE**
4 **ENCLOSURE THAT HAS A COMBINED WATER SURFACE AREA THAT IS GREATER**
5 **THAN 2,500 SQUARE FEET.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2008.