Chapter 466

(House Bill 484)

AN ACT concerning

Health Care Facilities - Dialysis Treatment Services - Training (David Selby Dialysis Parity Act)

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a health care facility from providing peritoneal dialysis or hemodialysis treatment services unless the individual performing the dialysis procedure has received training in a certain technique; establishing certain penalties for certain violations of this Act; requiring the Maryland Department of Health to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to health care facilities that provide dialysis treatment services.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 19–114(a) and (d)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2019 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 19–150 20–2001 and 20–2002 to be under the new part subtitle "Part VI. Subtitle 20. Facilities Providing Dialysis Treatment"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2019 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

19–114.

- (a) In this Part II of this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
 - (d) (1) "Health care facility" means:
 - (i) A hospital, as defined in § 19–301 of this title;
 - (ii) A limited service hospital, as defined in $\S 19-301$ of this title;
 - (iii) A related institution, as defined in § 19–301 of this title;

- (iv) An ambulatory surgical facility;
- (v) An inpatient facility that is organized primarily to help in the rehabilitation of disabled individuals, through an integrated program of medical and other services provided under competent professional supervision;
 - (vi) A home health agency, as defined in § 19–401 of this title;
 - (vii) A hospice, as defined in § 19–901 of this title;
- (viii) A freestanding medical facility, as defined in $\$ 19–3A–01 of this title; and
- (ix) Any other health institution, service, or program for which this Part II of this subtitle requires a certificate of need.

PART VI. SUBTITLE 20. FACILITIES PROVIDING DIALYSIS TREATMENT.

19-150. 20-2001.

- (A) IN THIS SECTION SUBTITLE, "HEALTH CARE FACILITY" MEANS A FACILITY OR AN OFFICE WHERE HEALTH OR MEDICAL CARE IS PROVIDED TO PATIENTS BY A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER, INCLUDING:
- (1) A HEALTH CARE FACILITY AS DEFINED IN § 19–114(D)(1) OF THIS SUBTITLE ARTICLE;
 - (2) A KIDNEY DIALYSIS CENTER;
- (3) A FACILITY OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OR A HEALTH OFFICER; AND
 - (4) THE OFFICE OF A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER.

20–2002.

(B) (A) A HEALTH CARE FACILITY MAY NOT PROVIDE PERITONEAL DIALYSIS OR HEMODIALYSIS TREATMENT SERVICES UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL PERFORMING THE DIALYSIS PROCEDURE HAS RECEIVED TRAINING IN THE PERITONEAL DIALYSIS OR HEMODIALYSIS TECHNIQUE BEING PERFORMED.

- $\frac{(c)}{(B)}$ A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION § 20-2001 OF THIS SUBTITLE IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL PENALTY IMPOSED BY THE DEPARTMENT NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 FOR EACH VIOLATION.
- (D) (C) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 30, 2021.