

HOUSE BILL 43

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Delegate J. Lewis**

Requested: September 17, 2024

Introduced and read first time: January 8, 2025

Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Federally Qualified Health Centers Grant Program – Acquisition of Land**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of Public Works, on recommendation of the
4 Secretary of Health, to make grants under the Federally Qualified Health Centers
5 Grant Program to counties, municipal corporations, and nonprofit corporations for
6 the acquisition of land for the construction or use of a federally qualified health
7 center; and generally relating to the Federally Qualified Health Centers Grant
8 Program.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Health – General
11 Section 24–1302
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Health – General**

17 24–1302.

18 (a) There is a Federally Qualified Health Centers Grant Program.

19 (b) On the recommendation of the Secretary, the Board of Public Works may
20 make grants to counties, municipal corporations, and nonprofit organizations for:

21 (1) The conversion of public buildings or parts of public buildings to
22 federally qualified health centers;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) The acquisition of existing buildings or parts of buildings for use as
2 federally qualified health centers;

3 (3) The renovation of federally qualified health centers;

4 (4) The purchase of capital equipment for federally qualified health
5 centers; [or]

6 (5) The planning, design, and construction of federally qualified health
7 centers; **OR**

8 **(6) THE ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR USE OF A**
9 **FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER.**

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 October 1, 2025.