



Maryland
Hospital Association

House Bill 1087 - Health Care Facilities - Surgical Smoke - Smoke Evacuation Systems

Position: *Letter of Information*

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Senate Finance Committee

MHA Position

On behalf of the Maryland Hospital Association's (MHA) member hospitals and health systems, we appreciate the opportunity to provide information on House Bill 1087.

HB 1087 requires health care facilities that perform surgical procedures to adopt and implement policies that require the use of a smoke evacuation system during a surgical procedure that may generate surgical smoke by Jan. 1, 2028.

Maryland hospitals already comply with the requirements of the bill, which aligns with national standards and health and safety environmental requirements.¹ MHA is not taking a position on the bill as introduced. If any amendments are offered, we would need to review them, and we could alter our position.

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¹ [Quick Safety Alleviating the Dangers of Surgical Smoke](#)