

SENATE BILL 231

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By: **Senator Della**

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Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Health Services Cost Review Commission – Health Care Facilities**
3 **– Annual Reports of Compensation**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring certain health care facilities to submit to the State
5 Health Services Cost Review Commission annual reports of certain
6 compensation; and generally relating to the reporting of the compensation of
7 officers, directors, and executives of health care facilities and of regulated
8 lobbyists engaged by those facilities.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Health – General
11 Section 19–212
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2008 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 19–212.

18 The Commission shall:

19 (1) Require each facility to disclose publicly:

20 (i) Its financial position; and

21 (ii) As computed by methods that the Commission determines,
22 the verified total costs incurred by the facility in providing health services;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) Review for reasonableness and certify the rates of each facility;

2 (3) Keep informed as to whether a facility has enough resources to
3 meet its financial requirements;

4 (4) Concern itself with solutions if a facility does not have enough
5 resources; [and]

6 (5) Assure each purchaser of health care facility services that:

7 (i) The total costs of all hospital services offered by or through a
8 facility are reasonable;

9 (ii) The aggregate rates of the facility are related reasonably to
10 the aggregate costs of the facility; and

11 (iii) Rates are set equitably among all purchasers of services
12 without undue discrimination; **AND**

13 **(6) REQUIRE EACH FACILITY TO SUBMIT TO THE COMMISSION AN**
14 **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMPENSATION, INCLUDING SALARIES, BONUSES, AND**
15 **PERQUISITES, OF:**

16 **(I) EACH OFFICER, DIRECTOR, AND EXECUTIVE OF THE**
17 **FACILITY AND ANY PARENT COMPANY OR SUBSIDIARY OF THE FACILITY; AND**

18 **(II) ANY INDIVIDUAL ENGAGED BY A FACILITY OR A PARENT**
19 **COMPANY OR SUBSIDIARY OF THE FACILITY AS A REGULATED LOBBYIST, AS**
20 **DEFINED UNDER § 15-102 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, FOR THE**
21 **PURPOSE OF LOBBYING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON BEHALF OF THE FACILITY.**

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2009.