

## Senate Bill 423- Maryland Medical Practice Act and Maryland Physician Assistants Act -Revisions

Position: Support with Amendments
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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 comment in support with amendments of Senate Bill 423.

The Maryland Board of Physicians is an essential partner in supporting the physician and allied health workforce. We support the changes included in SB 423, many of which are clarifying.

We have concerns with the 10-day mandatory reporting section (14-413) of the bill on page 27 beginning on line 16. We have concerns with including the word "employer" and maintaining "hospital" and "alternative health system" since this could result in duplicative reporting.

We know this is a complicated section of the bill. We are willing to meet with the Board of Physicians to address this concern.

For these reasons, we request a favorable report on SB 423 with amendments.

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