

SENATE BILL 394

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By: **Senator Jennings**

Introduced and read first time: February 1, 2012

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Medical Laboratories – Laboratory Test and Clinical Laboratory Fees –**
3 **Schedule**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring a certain licensed medical laboratory to produce a
5 certain fee schedule that includes certain information; requiring a certain fee
6 schedule to be regularly updated to provide certain information; requiring a
7 certain fee schedule and any supplemental materials to be published in certain
8 formats; requiring a medical laboratory to provide a certain fee schedule and
9 supplemental materials to a licensed physician on request of the physician; and
10 generally relating to a fee schedule for medical laboratory tests and clinical
11 laboratory fees.

12 BY adding to

13 Article – Health – General

14 Section 17–218

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Health – General**

20 **17–218.**

21 **(A) (1) A MEDICAL LABORATORY LICENSED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE**
22 **SHALL PRODUCE A COMPREHENSIVE FEE SCHEDULE FOR ALL THE LABORATORY**
23 **TESTS PERFORMED AND CLINICAL LABORATORY FEES CHARGED BY THE**
24 **MEDICAL LABORATORY.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(2) A FEE SCHEDULE PRODUCED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS**
2 **SUBSECTION SHALL BE REGULARLY UPDATED TO PROVIDE THE MOST**
3 **ACCURATE INFORMATION ON THE LABORATORY TESTS PERFORMED, THE COSTS**
4 **OF THE LABORATORY TESTS PERFORMED, AND THE CLINICAL LABORATORY**
5 **FEEES CHARGED BY THE MEDICAL LABORATORY.**

6 **(B) THE FEE SCHEDULE AND ANY SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS**
7 **PRODUCED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE IN BOTH A**
8 **PRINTED AND AN ELECTRONIC FORMAT.**

9 **(C) A MEDICAL LABORATORY SHALL PROVIDE THE FEE SCHEDULE AND**
10 **ANY SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS PRODUCED UNDER THIS SECTION TO A**
11 **LICENSED PHYSICIAN ON REQUEST OF THE PHYSICIAN.**

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
13 October 1, 2012.