

# SENATE BILL 299

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Assigned to: Finance

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Food Service Facilities – Automated External Defibrillator Program**  
3 **(Joe Sheya Act)**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the owner and operator of a certain food service facility to  
5 develop and, beginning on a certain date, implement an automated external  
6 defibrillator program that meets certain requirements; requiring the Maryland  
7 Department of Health and the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services  
8 Systems jointly to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to an automated  
9 external defibrillator program for food service facilities.

10 BY adding to  
11 Article – Health – General  
12 Section 21–330.3  
13 Annotated Code of Maryland  
14 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Health – General**

18 **21–330.3.**

19 **(A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A FOOD SERVICE FACILITY THAT HAS**  
20 **AN ANNUAL GROSS INCOME OF \$400,000 OR LESS.**

21 **(B) THE OWNER AND OPERATOR OF A FOOD SERVICE FACILITY SHALL**  
22 **DEVELOP AND, BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, IMPLEMENT AN AUTOMATED**  
23 **EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR PROGRAM THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF §**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **13-517 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.**

2 **(C) THE DEPARTMENT AND THE MARYLAND INSTITUTE FOR EMERGENCY**  
3 **MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEMS JOINTLY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT:**

4 **(1) ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR PERIODIC INSPECTIONS AND**  
5 **ANNUAL MAINTENANCE OF THE AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS; AND**

6 **(2) ASSIST THE OWNER AND OPERATOR OF A FOOD SERVICE FACILITY**  
7 **IN CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.**

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
9 October 1, 2023.