

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2242 Session of 2020

INTRODUCED BY CEPHAS, HOHENSTEIN, DONATUCCI, T. DAVIS,
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A. DAVIS AND PASHINSKI, JANUARY 21, 2020

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, JANUARY 21, 2020

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), entitled "An
2 act relating to health care; prescribing the powers and
3 duties of the Department of Health; establishing and
4 providing the powers and duties of the State Health
5 Coordinating Council, health systems agencies and Health Care
6 Policy Board in the Department of Health, and State Health
7 Facility Hearing Board in the Department of Justice;
8 providing for certification of need of health care providers
9 and prescribing penalties," in general provisions, repeals
10 and effective date, providing for hospital closing.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. The act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known
14 as the Health Care Facilities Act, is amended by adding a
15 section to read:

16 Section 901.1. Hospital closing.

17 A hospital shall provide written notice of an intent to close
18 the hospital to the department no later than 180 days prior to
19 the anticipated date of closing. As used in this section, the
20 term "hospital" shall mean a general or special hospital in this
21 Commonwealth, including a psychiatric or rehabilitation

1 hospital.

2 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.