

matching fund. No part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 2002, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2000.

Approved May 11, 2000.

CHAPTER 402

(House Bill 669)

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance - Access to Obstetric and Gynecological Services

FOR the purpose of ~~prohibiting~~ requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations ~~from limiting a woman's to allow a woman to have direct access to certain obstetric and gynecological services from a certified nurse midwife or certain other providers; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to allow a woman to choose a certified nurse midwife under certain circumstances~~ requiring a certified nurse midwife and certain other health care providers to consult with a certain obstetrician/gynecologist in accordance with a certain agreement regarding the delivery of certain health care; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to access to obstetric and gynecological services under health insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 15-816

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Volume and 1999 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 19-706(l)