

- (iii) the Maryland Medical Assistance Program;
- (3) examine the following areas in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene:
- (i) the financing of the health care delivery system;
  - (ii) program and service delivery;
  - (iii) the review and application of quality assurance standards and regulation implementation; and
  - (iv) administrative and operational support;
- (4) examine the organization and structure of health departments in other states; and
- (5) study any other issue that the Task Force deems appropriate to the reorganization of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

(h) The Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2004.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2003. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 3 months and, at the end of December 31, 2004, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved May 22, 2003.

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## CHAPTER 448

### (House Bill 762)

AN ACT concerning

#### Medicaid Modernization Act of 2003

FOR the purpose of establishing the Primary Adult Care Network within the Medical Assistance Program; providing for the purpose of the Network; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to administer the Network as allowed by federal law or waiver; requiring the Network, subject to certain limitations, to provide a certain health care benefit package to ~~certain~~ adults; ~~authorizing the Network to require certain cost sharing from enrollees; authorizing the Network to enter into partnerships with certain community entities~~; providing for the funding of the Network; requiring the Secretary to adopt regulations to implement the Network; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to conduct a certain review of certain health care programs and services on or before a certain date; requiring the Department to develop a certain methodology related to managed care organizations and to report on the