

(D) THE MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION AND THE STATE HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION SHALL ENSURE THAT THE MARYLAND-DC COLLABORATIVE ADDRESSES PRIVACY, SECURITY, ECONOMIC, AND INTEROPERABILITY ISSUES AND ESTABLISHES APPROPRIATE POLICIES AND PROTECTIONS IN THESE AREAS.

(E) HOSPITALS MAY APPLY TO THE STATE HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION FOR A ONE-TIME AWARD THROUGH RATE ADJUSTMENT TO PROVIDE PARTIAL COMPENSATION FOR THE COST OF DEVELOPING A DATA INTERFACE NECESSARY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE COLLABORATIVE.

(F) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE MARYLAND-DC COLLABORATIVE SHALL REPORT ON ITS PROGRESS TO THE STATE HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION, THE MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION, AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AND THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007. It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of June 30, 2010, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved by the Governor, April 24, 2007.

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## CHAPTER 263

(House Bill 1013)

AN ACT concerning

### Governor's Pension Plan – Surviving Spouse Benefits

FOR the purpose of providing certain death benefits to surviving spouses of former Governors; and generally relating to death benefits for surviving spouses of former Governors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – State Personnel and Pensions  
Section 22-405