

care providers, regulators, and academic institution stakeholders to analyze the trends in the supply and future demand for health care providers; and

WHEREAS, These efforts will enable public policy makers to understand the complete Maryland environment and develop the comprehensive solutions needed to ensure that the citizens of Maryland have adequate access to quality health care services; now, therefore,

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

Article - Health - General

19-710.3.

(A) **THERE IS A TASK FORCE ON HEALTH CARE ACCESS AND REIMBURSEMENT.**

(B) **THE TASK FORCE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:**

(1) **TWO MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE;**

(2) **TWO MEMBERS OF THE SENATE OF MARYLAND, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE;**

(3) **THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE;**

(4) **THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, OR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DESIGNEE;**

(5) **THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER, OR THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER'S DESIGNEE; AND**

(6) THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE; AND

(7) SIX INDIVIDUALS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR.

(C) **IN PERFORMING ITS DUTIES, THE TASK FORCE MAY CONSULT WITH INDIVIDUALS AND ENTITIES THAT THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE DEEMS APPROPRIATE.**

(D) (1) **THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE SHALL:**