

Annotated Code of Maryland
(1997 Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 15-10B-01, 15-10B-03, 15-10B-04, 15-10B-05(a) and (b),
15-10B-06(a), (e), and (g); 15-10B-07(a), 15-10B-09(e)(1), 15-10B-10,
15-10B-11, 15-10B-12, 15-10B-13, 15-10B-14, 15-10B-17(b), and
15-10B-18(a)

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(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

BY adding to

Article - Insurance

Section 15-10B-05(e)

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(As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 19-1301 through 19-1305, 19-1305.1, 19-1305.2, 19-1305.3, 19-1305.4, 19-1306 through 19-1311, 19-1311.1, 19-1312, and 19-1313 and the subtitle "Subtitle 13. Private Review Agents", respectively, of Article - Health - General of the Annotated Code of Maryland be transferred to be Section(s) 15-10B-01 through 15-10B-18 and the subtitle "Subtitle 10B. Private Review Agents", respectively, of Article - Insurance of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Commercial Law

13-4A-02.

(b) (1) (I) The Unit may assist health care consumers in understanding their health care bills and third party coverage, in identifying improper billing or coverage determinations, and in reporting any billing or coverage problems to appropriate entities, including the Division, the Attorney General or other governmental agencies, insurers, or providers.

(II) WHENEVER THE UNIT REQUESTS INFORMATION FROM AN INSURER, NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN, OR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION IN ORDER TO ASSIST A HEALTH CARE CONSUMER FOR THE PURPOSES PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH, THE INSURER, NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN, OR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL PROVIDE THE INFORMATION TO THE UNIT NO LATER THAN 7 WORKING DAYS FROM THE DATE THE INSURER, NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN, OR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION RECEIVED THE REQUEST.