or the District of Columbia, OR IN AN APPROVED HOME DIALYSIS PROGRAM. The Commission may formulate rules relating to payment for such treatment outside the State of Maryland, and may include therein approval or disapproval of any outside center for purposes of State payment under this subtitle.

789.

- (a) Any certified patient for whose treatment the State has paid, or the person or persons liable for the debts of such patient, shall reimburse the State for the cost of treatment subject to the limitations in subsection (b) of this section.
- (b) No person or persons liable for repayment under subsection (a) shall be liable for more than the sum of:
- (1) any proceeds of insurance, group health plan, or prepaid medical care, provided that such proceeds are paid to the insured and are paid by the insurer by reason of liability for the payment of the cost of medical treatment, and
- (2) five percent of the adjusted gross income, as defined in the United States Internal Revenue Code for purposes of the federal income tax and as amended from time to time, of such person or persons, less the yearly premiums such person or persons have paid on insurance which resulted in proceeds under subsection (b) (1) hereof.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect any arrangement for payment of costs directly to a medical provider by an insurance company, group health plan, or prepaid medical care plan.

(c) If a patient loses his certification as a patient under this subtitle, the person or persons liable for repayment to the State of the cost of care shall repay to the date of such loss as provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, but the person or persons so liable shall not be liable for any payment based on the portion of insurance proceeds or adjusted gross income received after the date of the loss of certification.

790.

An appropriation of funds shall be made each year as necessary to carry out the provisions of this subtitle.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved May 17, 1971.

CHAPTER 493

(Senate Bill 793)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 277 (a), (e), (f), (j), (k), (l), (m), (p), (q), and (t), 278 (a), 279, 281 (a), (f), and (h), 282 (c), 283, 285 (b), and (c), 286 (b), 287 (d), 288 (a), and 302 (c) and (f), and to add new Section 302 (h)