

*(2) the term "dwelling" shall include, but not be limited to all single or multiple units of residence, rooms for lodgers in private residences, college and school dormitories, fraternity and sorority houses, boarding and nursery schools, convalescent homes, old age or nursing homes.*

*(c) (C) This section shall be enforced by the State Board of Health housing inspectors.*

*(f) The provisions of this section shall not be applicable to dwellings in any political subdivision of this State which shall have enacted legislation effective no later than June 30, 1972, intended to detect, treat, and prevent incidents of lead-based paint poisoning in their jurisdiction, for so long as such legislation shall remain in effect.*

*(g) (D) Every person who shall violate or assist in the violation of any provisions of this section shall be guilty of an offense. The maximum fine for a first violation of any provision of this section, with respect to a particular dwelling, shall be fifty dollars; the maximum fine for the second offense arising from the failure to remove the violation upon which the first offense was based shall be two hundred and fifty dollars; the maximum fine for the third or any subsequent offense arising from the failure to remove the violation upon which the first and second offenses were based shall be five hundred dollars. Such a violation under this section shall not be deemed a crime and the penalty or punishment imposed therefor shall not be deemed for any purpose a penal or criminal penalty or punishment and shall not impose any disability upon or affect or impair the credibility as a witness, or otherwise, of any person convicted thereof.*

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

Approved May 17, 1971.

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#### CHAPTER 496

(Senate Bill 825)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 355 (b) of Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume) (1970 Supplement), title "Insurance Code," subtitle "20. Nonprofit Health Service Plans," to require as a condition of issuance of a license to a corporation operating a nonprofit health service plan that the corporation maintain a certain minimum reserve.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 355 (b) of Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume) (1970 Supplement), title "Insurance Code," subtitle "20. Nonprofit Health Service Plans," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*