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 [out-patient treatment,] ALL THOSE SERVICES, OTHER THAN
 INPATIENT, WHICH ARE RENDERED TO TREAT ACUTE MENTAL
 ILLNESS AND EMOTIONAL DISORDERS, shall be at a rate which
 is not less than [twenty-five percent (25%) nor more than
 eighty percent (80%)] ~~[[50 PERCENT]]~~ twenty-five percent
nor more than eighty percent of the benefits which the
 policy provides for other types of illness.

477B. (a) Every ~~[[health]]~~ HOSPITAL OR MAJOR MEDICAL
 insurance policy delivered or issued for deliverance
 under this subtitle to any person in this State must
 include benefits for expenses arising from treatment of
 acute mental illnesses and emotional disorders which in
 the professional judgment of practitioners are subject to
 significant improvement through short term therapy.
 These benefits must be at least equal to the following
 minimum requirements: (1) with respect to benefits for
 confinement as an in-patient in a hospital, the period of
 confinement for which benefits are payable shall be at
 least thirty (30) days in any calendar year OR BENEFIT
PERIOD; (2) with respect to major medical expense
 coverage, benefits, after the applicable deductible, for
 covered expenses arising from [[partial hospitalization,
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SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act
 shall take effect July 1, 1974.

Approved April 30, 1974.

CHAPTER 479

(House Bill 945)

AN ACT concerning

Montgomery County - Judges

FOR the purpose of increasing the number of District
 Court Judges in Montgomery County.