

CHAPTER 265

(Senate Bill 755)

AN ACT concerning

Fraudulent Medicaid Overpayments - Triple Damages

FOR the purpose of creating a certain penalty for any health care provider who is convicted of fraud in obtaining medicaid overpayments.

BY adding to

Article 43 - Health
Section 42J
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1977 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

42J.

ANY HEALTH CARE PROVIDER WHO IS CONVICTED OF FRAUD, OR WHO SUFFERS A JUDGMENT IN FAVOR OF THE STATE IN A CIVIL ACTION BASED ON FRAUD, IN OBTAINING MEDICAID OVERPAYMENTS SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE STATE IN AN AMOUNT TRIPLE TO THE AMOUNT OF THE OVERPAYMENT AND THE COURT IN EITHER SUCH CASE SHALL AWARD SUCH SUMS AS PART OF ITS SENTENCE OR JUDGMENT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

Approved May 2, 1978.

CHAPTER 266

(Senate Bill 771)

AN ACT concerning

Corrective Bill - Commercial Law Article

FOR the purpose of correcting technical errors in certain sections of the Commercial Law Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.