

- (I) THE STAFF OF THE COMMISSION;
- (II) A THIRD PARTY FOR THE COMMISSION; OR
- (III) THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Article 43, § 568Qa. and the first and second sentences of b.

In subsection (a) of this section, "authenticate" is substituted for "verify the accuracy", to avoid confusion with the term "verified", as used in this article. See § 1-201 of this article.

Subsection (b) of this section is revised to enable the Legislative Auditor to perform this audit, in accordance with the apparent intent of Ch. 752, Acts of 1980, although the title of that Act did not refer specifically to these audits. See Bill Review Letter (H.B. 521) from Stephen H. Sachs, Attorney General, to Harry R. Hughes, Governor, May 19, 1980.

In subsection (b) of this section, the former phrase "but are not limited to" is deleted as unnecessary in light of the definition of "includes"/"including".

The only other changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Commission" § 19-201  
"Facility" § 19-201  
"Includes"/"including" § 1-101

19-216. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF RATES AND COSTS.

(A) RATE REVIEWING POWER.

THE COMMISSION MAY REVIEW COSTS AND RATES AND MAKE ANY INVESTIGATION THAT THE COMMISSION CONSIDERS NECESSARY TO ASSURE EACH PURCHASER OF HEALTH CARE FACILITY SERVICES THAT:

(1) THE TOTAL COSTS OF THE FACILITY ARE RELATED REASONABLY TO THE TOTAL SERVICES THAT THE FACILITY OFFERS;

(2) THE AGGREGATE RATES OF THE FACILITY ARE RELATED REASONABLY TO THE AGGREGATE COSTS OF THE FACILITY;  
AND

(3) THE RATES ARE SET EQUITABLY AMONG ALL PURCHASERS OR CLASSES OF PURCHASERS WITHOUT UNDUE DISCRIMINATION OR PREFERENCE.

(B) RATE APPROVAL POWER.