private review agent, under certain circumstances, to make certain determinations for the emergency inpatient admissions or the admissions for residential crisis services within a certain period of time; requiring a private review agent to promptly notify a certain health care provider of the determination made by the private review agent; requiring a private review agent to provide a health care provider the opportunity to speak with a certain physician within a certain period of time under certain circumstances; altering the time period during which a private review agent is prohibited from rendering an adverse decision as to an admission of a patient under certain circumstances; and generally relating to private review agents and determinations for emergency inpatient admission determinations admissions and residential crisis services admissions.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 10-615 and 10-617(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 15-840(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 15-10B-05(a) and 15-10B-06

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2002 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Health - General

10-615.

Each application for involuntary admission to a facility or Veterans' Administration hospital under Part III of this subtitle shall:

- (1) Be in writing:
- (2) Be dated:
- (3) Be on the form required by:
 - (i) The Administration, in the case of a facility: or