

beginning July 1, 2003. At the end of [June 30] DECEMBER 31, 2007, the Senior Prescription Drug Program established under Title 14, Subtitle 5, Part II, as amended, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

(5) Beginning April 1, 2003, the carrier required to offer the Short-Term Prescription Drug Subsidy Plan under Title 15, Subtitle 6 of the Health - General Article and the Senior Prescription Drug Program under Title 14, Subtitle 5 of the Insurance Article shall subsidize the Plan and beginning July 1, 2003, the Program, using the value of the carrier's premium tax exemption.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That notwithstanding the provisions of § 14-512 of the Insurance Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, during calendar year 2006, the Board of the Maryland Health Insurance Plan may structure the benefit subsidy under the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program to cover any out-of-pocket costs an enrollee in the Program may incur for prescription drugs.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Maryland Health Insurance Plan may not spend any remaining funds from the Senior Prescription Drug Program that may accrue to the account of the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program without the approval of the General Assembly.

SECTION 2-5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to individuals enrolled in the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program beginning January 1, 2006.

SECTION 2-6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

Approved May 2, 2006.

CHAPTER 346

(House Bill 707)

AN ACT concerning

Crimes - Obscene Video Games - Prohibition on Sale, Display, or Rental to Minor

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a person from willfully or knowingly displaying or exhibiting to a minor an obscene video game; prohibiting a person from willfully or knowingly engaging in the business of displaying, exhibiting, selling, showing, advertising for sale, distributing, or renting to a minor an obscene video game; establishing criminal penalties for a violation of this Act; and generally relating to selling, displaying, or renting video games to minors.