Committee and the Medical Assistance Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 15-134

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 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

15-134.

- (a) If the Department applies for a Medical Assistance Program waiver or modifies or amends an existing Medical Assistance Program waiver OR AMENDS THE MEDICAID STATE PLAN OR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, the Department shall give notice of the application OR AMENDMENT by [publication]:
  - (1) PUBLICATION in the Maryland Register; AND
- (2) SUBMISSION OF THE APPLICATION OR AMENDMENT TO THE MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR DISCUSSION AT A MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING.
- (b) For 30 days following publication of any notice published under subsection (a) of this section, the Department shall:
- (1) Make the Medical Assistance Program waiver application OR AMENDMENT TO THE MEDICAID STATE PLAN OR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM available to the public during business hours; and
- (2) Provide an opportunity to receive public comments on the Medical Assistance Program waiver application OR AMENDMENT TO THE MEDICALD STATE PLAN OR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.
- (C) IF THE DEPARTMENT SUBMITS TO THE FEDERAL CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES AN AMENDMENT TO THE MEDICAID STATE PLAN OR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT A COPY OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MEDICAID ADVISORY COMMITTEE NO LATER THAN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE DEPARTMENT SUBMITS THE AMENDMENT TO THE FEDERAL CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2006.

Approved May 16, 2006.