SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to all certificates of deposit subject to this Act that are in existence on or after June 1, 2006.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2006.

Enacted May 26, 2006.

## **CHAPTER 536**

(Senate Bill 754)

AN ACT concerning

## Maryland Medical Assistance Program Self Employed Providers <u>Caregivers Income Protection Act</u> - Voluntary Tax Withholding

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to provide voluntary withholding of certain taxes for certain self-employed providers in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; defining a certain term; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to the withholding of certain taxes and the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

BY adding to

Article - Health - General

Section 15-132.1

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

15-132.1.

- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION, "SELF-EMPLOYED PROVIDER" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO:
- (1) PROVIDES HEALTH CARE SERVICES AS AN ATTENDANT, PERSONAL CARE AIDE, PERSONAL CARE PROVIDER OR RESPITE CARE WORKER TO PROGRAM RECIPIENTS BUT IS NOT EMPLOYED BY AN ACENCY.
- (2) "SELF EMPLOYED PROVIDER" INCLUDES CONSUMER EMPLOYED ATTENDANTS, PERSONAL CARE AIDES, PERSONAL CARE PROVIDERS, AND RESPITE CARE WORKERS PARTICIPATING IN:
- (I) THE HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES WAIVER FOR OLDER ADULTS PROGRAM; OR
  - (II) THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PERSONAL CARE PROGRAM; AND