

(2) IS NOT EMPLOYED BY AN AGENCY.

(B) TO THE EXTENT ALLOWED UNDER FEDERAL LAW, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE VOLUNTARY WITHHOLDING OF ~~ANY APPLICABLE FEDERAL INCOME TAXES UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE~~ AND STATE INCOME TAXES UNDER TITLE 10 OF THE TAX - GENERAL ARTICLE FOR SELF-EMPLOYED PROVIDERS.

(C) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO ALTER A SELF-EMPLOYED PROVIDER'S CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE DEPARTMENT OR TO CONFER TO THE SELF-EMPLOYED PROVIDER ANY STATUS OF EMPLOYMENT OR BENEFITS COMMENSURATE WITH THAT STATUS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~October 1, 2006~~ January 1, 2007.

Enacted May 26, 2006.

CHAPTER 537

(Senate Bill 786)

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Companies - Cost Allocation Manual - Independent Audit

FOR the purpose of requiring certain public service companies to file certain independent audit opinions with the Public Service Commission at certain intervals; ~~altering the list of required contents of a certain independent audit opinion; providing that a certain independent auditor shall examine compliance with certain policies, proper allocation of certain costs, and appropriate charging of certain costs and identify certain adjustments that should be made;~~ repealing a prohibition against requiring certain public service companies to file more than one independent audit opinion during a certain time period under certain circumstances; and generally relating to public service companies cost allocation manuals and audits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Public Utility Companies

Section 4-208

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

Article - Public Utility Companies

4-208.

(a) This section applies to a public service company that: