

Assembly, applies to capitation payments, including supplemental or bonus payments, made to a managed care organization on or after April 1, 2005.

(b) The premium tax imposed under § 6-102 of the Insurance Article, as enacted by Chapter 5 of the Acts of the 2004 Special Session of the General Assembly, does not apply to capitation payments, including supplemental or bonus payments, made to a managed care organization before April 1, 2005.

SECTION 4. 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 yea 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. If this Act does not secure sufficient votes to pass as an emergency measure, it shall take effect ~~March 1, 2005~~ March 31, 2005, pursuant to Article III, § 31 of the Maryland Constitution.

Enacted April 1, 2005.

CHAPTER 2

(Senate Bill 401)

AN ACT concerning

International Trade Agreement - Procurement Rules - General Assembly Approval

FOR the purpose of prohibiting State officials, including the Governor, from binding the State or consenting to bind the State to the government procurement rules of an international trade agreement except under certain circumstances; authorizing the Governor to bind the State or to consent to bind the State to the government procurement rules of an international trade agreement only if the General Assembly enacts certain legislation; providing that certain consent that a State official, including the Governor, has given for the State to be bound to certain government procurement rules of any international trade agreements on or before a certain date is declared invalid and that the State is not bound by the government procurement rules of certain international trade agreements; defining a certain term; providing that a copy of this Act be forwarded to certain individuals; and generally relating to the authorization needed to bind the State or to consent to bind the State to certain government procurement rules of an international trade agreement.

BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 3-308

Annotated Code of Maryland

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