

(2) COMPLYING WITH STATE PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY LAWS AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD; AND

(3) THE APPOINTMENT OF THE STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY THAT ISSUED THE INDIVIDUAL'S LICENSE TO PRACTICE CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY AS THE AGENT UPON WHICH PROCESS MAY BE SERVED IN ANY ACTION OR PROCEEDING BY THE BOARD AGAINST THE INDIVIDUAL.

(D) AN INDIVIDUAL'S RIGHT TO PRACTICE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL EXPIRE 2 YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF NOTIFICATION TO THE BOARD AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.

(E) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION MAY RENEW THE RIGHT TO PRACTICE UNDER THIS SECTION BY NOTIFYING THE BOARD AND PAYING A RENEWAL FEE OF \$50.

(F) AN INDIVIDUAL AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY UNDER THIS SECTION MAY REPRESENT TO THE PUBLIC, BY USE OF A TITLE, INCLUDING "LICENSED CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT", "CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT", "PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT", OR "AUDITOR", BY USE OF THE ABBREVIATION "C.P.A.", BY DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES, METHODS, OR PROCEDURES, OR OTHERWISE, THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY IN THE STATE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2005.

May 26, 2005

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 707 – *Maryland Medical Assistance Program – Medical Loss Ratio and Quality of Care*.

This bill authorizes a managed care organization or a certified health maintenance organization to appeal a specified decision of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene under specified circumstances; authorizes a managed care organization to take a specified appeal under the Administrative Procedure Act under specified circumstances; and requires the Secretary to adopt specified regulations prior to making a specified adjustment to capitation payments.

House Bill 85, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 707.

Very truly yours,