

Maryland Medical Assistance Program; providing that certain provisions of this Act apply to certain employers; requiring certain employers to submit certain information to the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations that provide for the submission of certain information and a certain designation and affidavit; providing that a certain employer may exempt certain wages when calculating a certain percentage; requiring a certain employer to make a certain payment to the Secretary under certain circumstances and in a certain manner; prohibiting a certain employer from making a certain deduction; providing for ~~a certain penalty~~ penalties; requiring the Secretary to make a certain verification, adopt certain regulations, and make a certain payment to a certain fund; requiring the Secretary to report certain information to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; defining certain terms; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to requiring certain employers to pay a certain assessment for employee health insurance costs.

BY adding to

Article – Health – General

Section 15-142

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 8.5-101 through ~~8.5-106~~ 8.5-107, inclusive, to be under the new title
“Title 8.5. Health Care Payroll Assessment”

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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

Article – Health – General

15-142.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, “FUND” MEANS THE FAIR SHARE HEALTH CARE FUND.

(B) THERE IS A FAIR SHARE HEALTH CARE FUND.

(C) THE PURPOSE OF THE FUND IS TO SUPPORT THE OPERATIONS OF THE PROGRAM.

(D) (1) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

(2) THE TREASURER SHALL HOLD THE FUND SEPARATELY, AND THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND.

(E) THE FUND CONSISTS OF: