SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1984.

Approved May 15, 1984.

CHAPTER 470

(House Bill 1251)

AN ACT concerning

Health Services Cost Review Commission - Rates for Outpatient Services

- FOR-the-purpose-of-providing-insentives-for--Medicaid--recipients and---other--patients--to--be--directed--to--cost--efficient providers-of-outpatient-services--by--requiring--the--Health Services--Cost--Review--Commission-to-consider-the-rates-for similar-services-in-a-nonhospital-setting-in-determining-the reasonableness-of-rates-for-outpatient-services-
- FOR the purpose of permitting the Health Services Cost Review

 Commission to consider the rates for similar services in certain nonhospital settings in determining the reasonableness of rates for clinic services of a health care facility; and providing for the termination of the provisions of this Act on a certain date.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General Section 19-216 Annotated Code of Maryland (1982 Volume and 1983 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

19-216.

- (a) The Commission may review costs and rates and make any investigation that the Commission considers necessary to assure each purchaser of health care facility services that:
- (1) The total costs of the facility are related reasonably to the total services that the facility offers;
- (2) The aggregate rates of the facility are related reasonably to the aggregate costs of the facility; and