

Division of Consumer Protection; authorizing the Unit to implement a certain educational-and- advocacy program, to assist health care consumers with certain health care billing and coverage problems, and to make certain recommendations to certain governmental officials and agencies, and to appear as an interested party in certain agency matters; requiring the Unit to refer certain matters to certain persons and to work with the technical and professional staff of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to assist with certain problems; requiring the Attorney General's Office, to the extent possible, to include in its annual budget funds for the administration and operation of the Unit; requiring a certain report; providing for the termination of the Unit on a certain date; and generally relating to the establishment of a Health Education and Advocacy Unit.

~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,~~

~~Article --- Health --- General
Section 19-207(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1982 Volume and 1985 Supplement)~~

BY adding to

Article - Commercial Law
Section 13-4A-01 through 13-4A-03 to be under the new
subtitle "Subtitle 4A. Health Education and Advocacy
Unit"
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1983 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

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

~~Article --- Health --- General~~ Article - Commercial Law

~~19-207.~~

~~(b) -- In addition to the duties set forth elsewhere in this subtitle, the Commission shall:~~

~~(1) -- Adopt rules and regulations that relate to its meetings, minutes, and transactions;~~

~~(2) -- Keep minutes of each meeting;~~

~~(3) -- Prepare annually a budget proposal that includes the estimated income of the Commission and proposed expenses for its administration and operation;~~