

599.

THERE IS A MARYLAND GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN ADMINISTERED BY THE COMMISSIONER.

600.

THE PLAN SHALL PROVIDE HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, AND SURGICAL BENEFITS TO ANY MEMBER ON AN EXPENSE INCURRED BASIS.

601.

SUBJECT TO THE PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED IN DIVISION II OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL SELECT AN AUTHORIZED INSURER TO UNDERWRITE THE PLAN.

602.

THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DETERMINE ALL MATTERS AND SPECIFICATIONS RELATING TO THE PLAN, INCLUDING BENEFITS, DEDUCTIBLE AND COPAYMENT PROVISIONS, AND PREMIUM RATES, EXCEPT THAT PREMIUMS ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE:

- (1) ADJUSTED ANNUALLY ON THE BASIS OF PLAN EXPERIENCE;
- (2) PAYABLE DIRECTLY TO THE INSURER UNDERWRITING THE PLAN;
- (3) PAYABLE AS APPLICABLE ON AN INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY BASIS; AND
- (4) SUFFICIENT IN THE AGGREGATE TO COVER ALL PLAN COSTS, INCLUDING BENEFIT AND ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.

603:

NOTICE OF THE BENEFITS AVAILABLE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS SHALL BE:

- (1) PUBLISHED BY THE COMMISSIONER AT LEAST ONCE ANNUALLY IN THE MARYLAND REGISTER AND IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN EACH OF THE COUNTIES OF THE STATE AND BALTIMORE CITY;
- (2) PROVIDED BY THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 4-217 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE; AND
- (3) PROVIDED BY THE SECRETARY OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 7 OF ARTICLE 95A.

604.

THE STATE SHALL HAVE NO PECUNIARY LIABILITY UNDER THIS ~~TYPE~~ SUBTITLE.