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indefinitely under certain circumstances; shall continue in effect unless terminated by the Program or by the provider; providing a certain exception; specifying that the Program shall use its leverage as a high volume purchaser to increase the cost effectiveness of the Program; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to review certain regulations and to amend certain regulations under certain circumstances; requiring the Program to include certain managed care pilot programs for certain groups of Program recipients under certain circumstances; requiring certain managed care pilot programs to be carefully controlled and their health care outcomes and cost savings convincingly demonstrated; requiring changes to the Program's regulations to be made at regular fixed intervals and providing a certain exception; requiring the Department to seek recovery of certain money expended from certain persons; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt certain regulations; effectiveness evaluated; establishing a Special Joint Legislative Committee on the Medical Assistance Program with certain responsibilities; providing staff for the Committee; providing for the termination of the Committee by a certain date; requiring certain studies and directives to be undertaken by certain persons and the results of these studies and directives reported to the Committee on or before certain dates; requiring the Department to annually evaluate and report to the General Assembly on certain changes made to the Program; prohibiting the Health Resources Planning Commission from receiving or acting on certain Letters of Intent or certain Certificate of Need applications received on or after a certain date until after a certain date to permit the Program to reevaluate certain community-based initiatives; providing for a certain effective date; and generally relating to the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

BY adding to

Article - Health - General
Section 15-102.17 ~~and 15-102.27~~ and 15-103.17 ~~and 15-106.17~~
~~15-106.27 and 15-120.1~~
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1987 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General
Section 15-102 and 15-103
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1987 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)