

VETOES

State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 1064.

This bill prohibits nonprofit health insurance policies and service plans, health insurance policies, and group or blanket health insurance policies from containing nonduplication provisions or provisions which coordinate coverage with an intensive care policy.

Senate Bill 456, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 25, 1989, accomplishes the same general purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1064.

Sincerely,
William Donald Schaefer
Governor

House Bill No. 1064

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance - ~~Nonduplication and-Coordination~~ Provisions
and Reimbursement for Pharmaceutical Products

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a nonprofit health service plan, health insurance policy, or group or blanket health insurance policy from containing nonduplication provisions ~~or--requiring--the--coordination--of--coverage--with--certain limited-benefit-hospital-indemnity intensive--care policies or provisions to coordinate coverage with certain individual hospital benefit policies; defining--a--certain--term; prohibiting any group or individual health insurance policy issued by an insurer or nonprofit health service plan that provides hospital, medical, or surgical benefits and that provides reimbursement for pharmaceutical products from establishing the amount of reimbursement on the basis of the identity, practicing specialty, or occupation of the authorized prescriber; and defining certain terms; and generally relating to health insurance policies.~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 48A - Insurance Code