SECTION 2. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993.

Approved May 11, 1993.

CHAPTER 285

(House Bill 193)

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance - Coverage for Grandchildren

FOR the purpose of providing for the continuance of coverage in certain individual and group health insurance policies for certain incapacitated grandchildren; requiring certain individual and group health insurance policies to provide coverage for certain newly born and newly adopted grandchildren; requiring certain individual and group health insurance policies to provide that health insurance benefits shall be available to grandchildren under certain circumstances; requiring certain individual and group health insurance policies to offer family members' coverage regardless of marital status and through a certain notice under certain eircumstances; permitting certain insurers to require certain proof regarding grandchildren under certain circumstances; authorizing certain insurers to cover an insured's or subscriber's dependent child, regardless of marital status, or the minor child of the dependent child; imposing a certain notice requirement on certain insurers and nonprofit health service plans; making certain provisions of this Act applicable to health maintenance organizations; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to health insurance coverage for grandchildren.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 48A - Insurance Code

Section 354(a-1), 438(3), 438A, and 471(7)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 48A - Insurance Code

Section 490R

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health - General

Section 19-706(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)