

(II) THE COSTS ASSESSED BY THE SECRETARY FOR SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS AND EXPENSES RESULTING FROM THE PARTICIPATION OF ITS EMPLOYEES IN THE PROGRAM; AND

(III) ANY COSTS AS DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY, FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS PROGRAM; AND

(2) DETERMINE THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE ORGANIZATION WILL SUBSIDIZE PARTICIPATION BY ITS EMPLOYEES IN THE PROGRAM.

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

Approved May 27, 1993.

CHAPTER 537

(House Bill 605)

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance – Payments for Rental of Medical Equipment

FOR the purpose of requiring direct payment by any nonprofit health service plan under certain circumstances or by any insurer to the provider of medical equipment and services for certain rental equipment; requiring full the agreed upon monthly payments to be made for rental equipment for a certain period; requiring certain notice for termination of authorization to be made; ~~requiring certain written consent prior to purchase of rental equipment;~~ providing that the purchase of certain equipment and services may be made with the consent of the provider and the insurer under certain circumstances; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to payments for rental of medical equipment.

BY adding to

Article 48A – Insurance Code

Section 354MM, 470CC, and 477MM

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1992 Supplement)

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

Article 48A – Insurance Code

354MM.

(A) (1) A NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN UNDER A CONTRACT, AGREEMENT, OR ASSIGNMENT POLICY, OR CERTIFICATE IN WHICH AN INDIVIDUAL A SUBSCRIBER RECEIVES HOME MEDICAL EQUIPMENT UNDER A POLICY OR CERTIFICATE DELIVERED OR ISSUED FOR DELIVERY IN THE STATE THAT PROVIDES