

certain sanctions for violations of certain coding provisions; altering the application of certain fee requirements for health care practitioners and creating an exception to that provision; clarifying supporting information for practice parameters; clarifying the application of certain financial reporting requirements to certain health insurers and health maintenance organizations; providing for the authority of the Maryland Insurance Administration; clarifying certain definitions relating to carriers and health benefit plans; clarifying the application of that Act to certain small employers and payment practices; clarifying the authority of the Commission concerning benefits and cost sharing arrangements in establishing the comprehensive standard health benefit plan; clarifying the Commission's authority to review and modify the comprehensive standard health benefit plan; clarifying the application of certain market reforms to riders and added benefits; clarifying the date after which certain requirements for health benefit plans apply; providing that the State Insurance Commissioner shall designate the date for filing certain small employer health benefit plans; altering the date for election by a carrier to be a reinsuring carrier and the date of initial meeting of the Maryland Health Reinsurance Pool; altering the date of operation of the Pool; correcting certain terms relating to the expansion of that Act beyond the small group health insurance market and correcting the participation level necessary for that expansion; requiring the Commission to direct the State Insurance Commissioner to collect a certain assessment; and generally relating to correcting and clarifying the Health Care and Insurance Reform Act of 1993.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 19-1501, ~~19-1503~~, 19-1504, 19-1505, 19-1507(f) and (h), 19-1508(c), 19-1509, 19-1511(a), 19-1515(a), 19-1604, and 19-1606(b)

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(1990 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 48A – Insurance Code

Section 490R and 490S

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 48A – Insurance Code

Section 698(d), (g), (h), and (j), 698A, ~~700~~, 699(b), 700, 701(b), 704(a) and (e), 706(a), and 707(b) and (j)

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(1991 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)

(As enacted by Section 2 of Chapter 9 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1993)

BY adding to

Article 48A – Insurance Code