(B) IF AN INSURER OR NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN CLASSIFIES AN OBSTETRICIAN/GYNECOLOGIST AS A PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN AS PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, AND A WOMAN DOES NOT CHOOSE AN OBSTETRICIAN/GYNECOLOGIST AS HER PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER, THE INSURER OR NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN SHALL PERMIT THE WOMAN TO RECEIVE AN ANNUAL VISIT TO AN IN-NETWORK OBSTETRICIAN/GYNECOLOGIST FOR ROUTINE ROUTINE GYNECOLOGICAL CARE WITHOUT REQUIRING THE WOMAN TO FIRST VISIT HER PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER, WHETHER OR NOT THE PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER IS QUALIFIED TO AND REGULARLY PROVIDES ROUTINE ROUTINE GYNECOLOGICAL CARE.

Article - Health - General

19-706.

- (k) (1) A health maintenance organization shall:
- [(1)](I) Classify an obstetrician/gynecologist as a primary care physician; or
- [(2)](II) Permit a woman to receive an annual visit to an in-network obstetrician/gynecologist for <u>routine</u> gynecological care without requiring the woman to first visit a primary care provider.
- (2) IF A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION CLASSIFIES AN OBSTETRICIAN/GYNECOLOGIST AS A PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN AS PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, AND A WOMAN DOES NOT CHOOSE AN OBSTETRICIAN/GYNECOLOGIST AS HER PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER, THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL PERMIT THE WOMAN TO RECEIVE AN ANNUAL VISIT TO AN IN-NETWORK OBSTETRICIAN/GYNECOLOGIST FOR ROUTINE ROUTINE GYNECOLOGICAL CARE WITHOUT REQUIRING THE WOMAN TO FIRST VISIT HER PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER, WHETHER OR NOT THE PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER IS QUALIFIED TO AND REGULARLY PROVIDES ROUTINE ROUTINE GYNECOLOGICAL CARE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1995.

Approved May 9, 1995.

CHAPTER 160

(Senate Bill 337)

AN ACT concerning

State Personnel - Reprisals for Employee Grievances, Complaints, or Other Actions

FOR the purpose of providing that a State employee may present employment grievances and complaints without being subjected to coercion, discrimination, interference,