

owner for his own residence shall not exceed the amount by which the owner is indebted under the contract at the time the notice is given.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1996.

Approved May 14, 1996.

CHAPTER 378

(Senate Bill 204)

AN ACT concerning

Experimental Medical Care Disclosure Act Task Force on Emerging Medical and Surgical Treatments

FOR the purpose of ~~requiring certain health insurers to establish a certain process to follow when evaluating emerging medical and surgical treatments for the purpose of making coverage and payment decisions; requiring certain health insurers to make certain disclosures to certain providers, enrollees, and prospective enrollees under certain circumstances; specifying the provisions of the process; requiring certain health insurers to identify certain local clinical experts to assist the health insurer in evaluating emerging medical and surgical treatments; requiring certain health insurers to file a certain report with the Insurance Commissioner; specifying the contents of the report; prohibiting certain health insurers from preventing providers from disclosing certain information to enrollees; prohibiting certain health insurers for certain purposes from conditioning the payment of the salary of an employee or provider on the number or kind of health care services denied to enrollees; specifying the application of this Act; authorizing the Insurance Commissioner to adopt regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to requiring certain health insurers to establish and follow a certain process when evaluating emerging medical and surgical treatments for the purpose of making certain coverage and payment conditions~~ establishing a Task Force on Emerging Medical and Surgical Treatments; specifying the membership of the Task Force; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to emerging medical and surgical treatments.

~~BY adding to~~

~~Article 48A — Insurance Code~~

~~Section 490FF~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

~~(1994 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)~~

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