

~~(N) AFTER NOTICE AND AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING, A CARRIER THAT VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL FINE OF \$10,000 FOR A FIRST VIOLATION AND \$25,000 FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION.~~

~~(O) THE COMMISSIONER MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION.~~

(a) The Governor shall convene a Task Force on Emerging Medical and Surgical Treatments to:

- (1) Study insurance coverage of emerging medical and surgical treatments;
- (2) Examine the processes by which health insurance carriers evaluate emerging medical and surgical treatments for coverage;
- (3) Determine whether and what form of State intervention in health insurers' processes is appropriate;
- (4) Determine appropriate disclosure of processes for evaluating emerging medical and surgical treatments for health insurance coverage;
- (5) Evaluate the need for State intervention in communications between health care providers and consumers regarding emerging medical and surgical treatments; and
- (6) Review any other issues the Task Force considers appropriate pertaining to insurance coverage of emerging medical and surgical treatments.

(b) The Task Force shall consist of the following members:

- (1) Two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
- (2) Two members of the House of Delegates of Maryland, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- (3) One representative of the University of Maryland Medical School, appointed by the Governor;
- (4) One representative of The Johns Hopkins University Medical School, appointed by the Governor;
- (5) One representative of the National Institutes of Health, appointed by the Governor;
- (6) One representative of the health insurance industry, appointed by the Governor;
- (7) One representative of a national nonprofit health maintenance organization, appointed by the Governor;
- (8) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, or the Secretary's designee;