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**CHAPTER 332**

**(Senate Bill 163)**

AN ACT concerning

**Experimental Medical Care Disclosure Act**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain ~~insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations~~ carriers to establish or subscribe to or contract for and follow a certain process when evaluating emerging medical and surgical treatments for ~~the purpose of making certain coverage decisions~~ a certain purpose; requiring certain ~~insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations~~ carriers to make certain disclosures to certain providers, enrollees, and prospective enrollees under certain circumstances; specifying the provisions of the process; requiring certain carriers to provide a description of the process to certain persons under certain circumstances; requiring certain ~~insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations~~ carriers to file a certain report make a certain filing with the Insurance Commissioner; ~~specifying the contents of the report~~; requiring the Commissioner to make the filing available or provide a copy of the filing to certain persons under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner to grant certain waivers under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner to issue certain orders; authorizing the Commissioner to adopt regulations; providing for the application of this Act; altering, subject to a certain contingency, a provision relating to decisions on coverage for certain treatment; ~~providing a certain immunity from liability for certain individuals~~; defining certain terms; and generally relating to requiring certain ~~insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations~~ carriers to establish and follow a certain process when evaluating emerging medical and surgical treatments for ~~the purpose of making certain coverage decisions~~ a certain purpose.

BY adding to

Article - Insurance

Section 15-121

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(As enacted by Chapter — (H.B. 11) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 15-121(j)(1)

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