(2) A carrier is in compliance with paragraph (1) of this subsection if, within 45 days after an enrollee or covered person chooses or obtains health care from a health care practitioner, the carrier pays to the health care practitioner all accrued but unpaid capitated fees attributable to that enrollee or person that the health care practitioner would have received had the enrollee or person chosen the health care practitioner at the beginning of the enrollee's or covered person's contract year.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

Approved April 27, 1999.

CHAPTER 256

(House Bill 611)

AN ACT concerning

Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission - Minority Business Enterprise Programs

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FOR the purpose of extending the duration of the minority business enterprise programs of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) for a specified period; altering a provision that must be included in the minority business enterprise program; requiring the WSSC to make certain reports and recommendations to the Montgomery County and Prince George's County Senate and House legislative delegations to the General Assembly by a specified date; making provisions of this Act severable; and generally relating to the WSSC minority business enterprise programs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 29 - Washington Suburban Sanitary District

Section 3-102(f) and 3-109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

Article 29 - Washington Suburban Sanitary District

3-102.

- (f) (1) In this subsection "minority business enterprise" has the meaning stated in § 14-301 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.
- (2) By resolution and by implementing rules and regulations, the WSSC shall establish a mandatory minority business utilization program to facilitate the