

**CHAPTER 582**

**(Senate Bill 625)**

AN ACT concerning

**Mandated Health Insurance Services - Cost Determination**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Health Care Access and Cost Commission to determine the full cost of mandated health insurance services; requiring the Commission to express the full cost of mandated health insurance services as a percentage of the State's average annual wage; requiring the Commission to express the full cost of mandated health insurance services as a percentage of certain health insurance premium; requiring the Commission to report certain information to the Governor and the General Assembly; requiring the Commission to perform a certain evaluation at a certain time; authorizing the General Assembly to consider certain information in making certain determinations; defining a certain term; altering the date that a certain annual report is due; making a technical correction; and generally relating to mandated health insurance services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 19-1501 and 19-1502

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 15-1501

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Insurance

Section 15-1502

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

**Article - Health - General**

19-1501.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.