

~~MEMBER OR SUBSCRIBER IS REQUIRED TO PAY FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY A PHYSICIAN WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE PROVIDER PANEL OF THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION.~~

19-712.5.

(F) IF A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZES, DIRECTS, REFERS, OR OTHERWISE ALLOWS A MEMBER OR SUBSCRIBER TO ACCESS A HOSPITAL EMERGENCY FACILITY OR OTHER URGENT CARE FACILITY FOR A MEDICAL CONDITION THAT REQUIRES EMERGENCY SURGERY, THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION:

(1) SHALL REIMBURSE THE PHYSICIAN, ORAL SURGEON, PERIODONTIST, OR PODIATRIST, WHO PERFORMED THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE, FOR FOLLOW-UP CARE THAT IS:

(I) MEDICALLY NECESSARY;

(II) DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE CONDITION FOR WHICH THE SURGICAL PROCEDURE WAS PERFORMED; AND

(III) PROVIDED IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MEMBER'S OR SUBSCRIBER'S PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN; AND

(2) MAY NOT IMPOSE ON THE MEMBER OR SUBSCRIBER ANY CO-PAYMENT OR OTHER COST-SHARING REQUIREMENT FOR ANY FOLLOW-UP CARE THAT EXCEEDS WHAT A MEMBER OR SUBSCRIBER IS REQUIRED TO PAY FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY A PHYSICIAN, ORAL SURGEON, PERIODONTIST, OR PODIATRIST WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE PROVIDER PANEL OF THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION.

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

Approved May 27, 1999.

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**CHAPTER 645**

**(House Bill 595)**

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Vehicle Law - Equipment Standards**

FOR the purpose of modifying certain provisions under the Maryland Vehicle Law pertaining to equipment standards; eliminating and modifying certain obsolete or inaccurate references pertaining to the adoption or approval of certain equipment or standards; authorizing the Motor Vehicle Administrator to adopt federal motor vehicle safety standards; authorizing, rather than requiring, the Administrator to take certain actions in reference to certain equipment, and otherwise modifying the Administrator's authority in reference to certain