

(i) Disburse funds to the State and regional resource centers and metropolitan cooperative service programs; and

(ii) Require that these funds be used subject to any conditions specified by the appropriating agency or imposed under this subtitle.

(2) The Department may authorize the State Comptroller to withhold funds from any regional resource center or metropolitan cooperative service program that fails to meet the standards adopted by the Department.

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

Approved May 27, 1999.

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## CHAPTER 702

### (House Bill 995)

AN ACT concerning

#### Health Care Regulatory Reform - Commission Consolidation

FOR the purpose of renaming the Maryland Health Care Access and Cost Commission to be the Maryland Health Care Commission; integrating, consolidating, and streamlining certain health care regulatory responsibilities and duties under the Maryland Health Care ~~Access and Cost~~ Commission; repealing certain obsolete provisions of law; altering the number of commissioners on the Commission who must meet certain criteria; establishing the membership of the Maryland Health Care Commission; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Maryland Health Care Commission; establishing a Health Care ~~Access and Cost~~ Commission Fund; specifying the funding for the Health Care ~~Access and Cost~~ Commission Fund; specifying the purpose of this Act; abolishing a certain commission that functions in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene ~~by certain dates~~; altering specifying the duties, responsibilities, and functions of the Maryland Health Care ~~Access and Cost~~ Commission; requiring the Maryland Health Care ~~Access and Cost~~ Commission to coordinate the exercise of its functions with the Department and the Health Services Cost Review Commission; altering certain provisions of law related to State health planning and development; establishing a certain advisory committee and providing for its termination date authorizing the Maryland Health Care Commission to appoint certain advisory committees; providing for the classification of certain staff hired by the Maryland Health Care ~~Access and Cost~~ Commission and the Health Services Cost Review Commission; altering certain procurement procedures required of certain commissions; requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to provide the Maryland Health Care ~~Access and Cost~~ Commission with certain information after a certain date; eliminating certain duties required to be performed by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner after a certain date; requiring the Maryland Health Care ~~Access~~