

SECTION 13. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The terms of each of the Maryland Health Care Access and Cost Commission current members shall terminate on September 30, 1999.

(b) On or before October 1, 1999, the Governor shall appoint the members of the Maryland Health Care Commission in accordance with § 19-104 of the Health - General Article, as enacted by this Act.

(c) For the initial terms of the Maryland Health Care Commission members, the Governor shall appoint the members as follows:

(1) five members from among the current members of the Maryland Health Care Access and Cost Commission;

(2) five members from among the current members of the Health Resources Planning Commission;

(3) two members who are payors as defined in § 19-133 of the Health - General Article, and who are not among the current members of the Maryland Health Care Access and Cost Commission or the Health Resources Planning Commission; and

(4) the current Chairman of the Maryland Health Care Access and Cost Commission who shall serve as the initial chairman of the Maryland Health Care Commission.

(d) (1) The terms of the initial members of the Maryland Health Care Commission shall begin on October 1, 1999 and shall expire as follows:

(i) three members in 2001;

(ii) three members in 2002;

(iii) three members in 2003; and

(iv) three members in 2004.

(2) The term of the initial chairman of the Maryland Health Care Commission shall begin on October 1, 1999 and shall expire in 2004.

(e) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Maryland Health Care Commission appoints the current Executive Director of the Maryland Health Care Access and Cost Commission as its executive director.

SECTION 15. 14. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 14 13 of this Act shall take effect June July 1, 1999.

SECTION 12 16 15. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section Sections 9 and 15 14 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

Approved May 27, 1999.