

(5) The level of patient satisfaction with the quality of managed behavioral health care services received; and

(6) Any other quality measures that the Task Force deems appropriate.

(f) The Task Force shall report its findings to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee by December 15, 1999.

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act applies to any new policy, contract, certificate, or evidence of coverage under a health benefit plan that a carrier issues or delivers in the State on or after October 1, 1999.~~

~~SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act applies on or after January 1, 2000 to the renewal of any policy, contract, certificate, or evidence of coverage under a health benefit plan that a carrier issues or delivers in the State that is in effect before October 1, 1999.~~

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 1 and 3 of this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect October 1, 2000.

May 27, 1999

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr.  
Speaker of the House  
State House  
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 949.

This bill clarifies that prosecution of a person for the unlawful taking of a motor vehicle does not preclude prosecution of that person for theft of a motor vehicle. The bill also provides that if a person is convicted of both theft and the unlawful taking of a motor vehicle for the same act or transaction, the conviction for unlawful taking must merge for sentencing purposes into the conviction for theft.

Senate Bill 382, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 13, 1999, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 949.

Sincerely,  
Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

**House Bill 949**

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