- (2) Unless expressly provided otherwise, "person" does not include a governmental entity or a unit or instrumentality of a governmental entity.
- (j) "Position" means an employment assignment of duties and responsibilities that requires the full-time employment of one individual or less than full-time employment of one or more individuals.
  - (k) "Principal unit" means:
- (1) a principal department or other principal independent unit of State government[.]; OR
- (2) FOR AN EMPLOYEE OF A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS WHOSE EMPLOYEES ARE COVERED BY THIS ARTICLE, THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
- (1) "Professional service" means the employment category in the State Personnel Management System that is described in § 6-402 of this article.
  - (m) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Budget and Management.
- (n) "Skilled service" means the employment category in the State Personnel Management System that is described in § 6-401 of this article.
  - (o) "State" means:
- (1) a state, possession, territory, or commonwealth of the United States; or
  - (2) the District of Columbia.
- (p) "State Personnel Management System" means the personnel system established under § 6-101 of this article.
  - (q) "Temporary employee" includes:
    - (1) a contractual employee; and
    - (2) an emergency employee.

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

Approved May 11, 2000.

## **CHAPTER 229**

(Senate Bill 111)

AN ACT concerning

Patient Referrals by Health Care Practitioners - Prohibition - Exemptions
FOR the purpose of excluding certain payments made for the rental or lease of