- (7)] State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (§ 2–302 of the Agriculture Article);
- [(8)](5) State Board of Waterworks and Waste Systems Operators (§ 12-201 of the Environment Article);
- [(9)](6) State Board of Well Drillers (§ 13-201 of the Environment Article);
  - [(10)] (7) the Tobacco Authority (§ 7–201 of the Agriculture Article);
- [(11)] (8) Maryland Home Improvement Commission (§ 8–201 of the Business Regulation Article); and
- [(12)] (9) State Board of Inspection of Horse Riding Stables (§ 2–701 of the Agriculture Article).
- (e) On or before November 30 of the 2nd year before the evaluation date of a governmental activity or unit, the Legislative Policy Committee, based on a preliminary evaluation, may waive as unnecessary the evaluation required under this section.
- (M) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION, ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2010, AN EVALUATION SHALL BE MADE OF THE STATE RACING COMMISSION, THE MARYLAND-BRED RACE FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE, THE MARYLAND STANDARDBRED RACE FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND THE REGULATIONS THAT RELATE TO THE STATE RACING COMMISSION, THE MARYLAND-BRED RACE FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND THE MARYLAND STANDARDBRED RACE FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

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

Approved May 11, 2000.

## CHAPTER 270

(Senate Bill 371)

AN ACT concerning

## Medical Records - Confidentiality

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the disclosure by sale, rental, or barter of certain medical records; exempting certain medical records from the prohibition; requiring certain payors to accept claims only from certain medical care electronic claims clearinghouses; creating additional limitations on the disclosure of certain records; exempting certain notes from the definition of medical records; authorizing mental health providers to maintain certain notes in specified situations; providing that a personal note is a medical record if disclosed in a certain manner; requiring mental health providers to withhold