

Section 3

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - State Finance and Procurement

18-104.

On or before October 1, [1999] 2002, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Council shall submit a report to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee and the House Appropriations Committee concerning the effect of the Pilot Program within each agency that participates in the Program.

Chapter 409 of the Acts of 1997

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997. It shall remain effective for a period of [3] 6 years, and at the end of September 30, [2000] 2003, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

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

May 18, 2000

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 164 - Health Insurance - Internal Appeal and Grievance Processes.

This bill requires a carrier to develop an internal appeals process for coverage determinations and expands the type of information that a carrier must send to a member when it renders an adverse decision or grievance decision.

House Bill 405, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 11, 2000, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 164.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 164

AN ACT concerning