

~~(2)~~ (3) THE A PLANNED COURSE OF TREATMENT FOR THE PATIENT THAT WAS APPROVED BY THE CARRIER WAS NOT SUBSTANTIALLY FOLLOWED BY THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER; OR

(4) ON THE DATE THE PREAUTHORIZED OR APPROVED SERVICE WAS DELIVERED:

(I) THE PATIENT WAS NOT COVERED BY THE CARRIER;

(II) THE CARRIER MAINTAINED AN AUTOMATED ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION SYSTEM THAT WAS AVAILABLE TO THE CONTRACTING PROVIDER BY TELEPHONE OR VIA THE INTERNET; AND

(III) ACCORDING TO THE VERIFICATION SYSTEM, THE PATIENT WAS NOT COVERED BY THE CARRIER.

(C) A CARRIER SHALL PAY A CLAIM FOR A PREAUTHORIZED OR APPROVED COVERED HEALTH CARE SERVICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH §§ 15-1005 AND 15-1008 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act applies to reimbursements for health care services that are preauthorized or approved on or after June 1, 2000.

SECTION 2. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~October~~ June 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 277 - Harford County - Appointment of Deputy State's Attorneys.

This bill increases the number of deputy State's Attorneys that the Harford County State's Attorney may appoint from one to two.

House Bill 377, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 25, 2000, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 277.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor