This bill requires the Insurance Commissioner to adopt regulations defining a "clean claim" as it relates to information submitted on a uniform claims form by a health care provider to a carrier.

House Bill 762, 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 800.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

## Senate Bill No. 800

AN ACT concerning

## Health Insurance - Uniform Claims Forms - Clean Claims

FOR the purpose of consolidating certain provisions relating to acceptance of uniform claims forms for reimbursement by insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations; requiring the Insurance Commissioner to adopt certain regulations relating to certain uniform claims forms for reimbursement of hospitals and health care practitioners by insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations; specifying certain contents of certain regulations; requiring certain uniform claims forms to be properly completed in accordance with certain regulations; altering a certain penalty for certain violations relating to uniform claims forms; establishing certain penalties; providing that insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations shall pay or refuse to reimburse certain clean claims, and otherwise respond on receipt of a claim, in a certain manner and within certain time periods under certain circumstances; requiring insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide certain providers with a manual or other document containing certain information; specifying certain requirements and limitations of certain delegation agreements between insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations and certain entities; defining a certain term; providing that certain regulations shall be adopted published for proposal on or before a certain date; and generally relating to uniform claims forms for reimbursement under health insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 19-706(kk)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article – Health – General

Section 19-712.3