25, 2000, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 99.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

House Bill No. 99

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance - Dental Plan Organizations

FOR the purpose of requiring dental plan organizations to meet certain capital and surplus requirements; requiring dental plan organizations to deposit a certain amount of security with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner or a certain organization or trustee; specifying the purpose of the deposit requirement; authorizing the Commissioner to reduce or eliminate the deposit requirement under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner to impose certain penalties against dental plan organizations under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner to require dental plan organizations to make restitution to a person who suffered financial injury; providing a certain exception to certain requirements for certain dental plan organizations under certain circumstances; and generally relating to dental plan organizations, capital and surplus requirements, and penalties.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 14-401

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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Article - Insurance

Section 14-404 and 14-409

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

Article - Insurance

14-401.

- (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) "Dental plan" means a contractual arrangement for dental services.