CHAPTER 64

(Senate Bill 189)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Health Care Commission - Modifications and Clarifications

FOR the purpose of repealing the authority of the Maryland Health Care Commission to develop a payment system for health care services; altering a certain definition; altering certain provisions relating to the publishing of certain information related to reimbursements from payors; authorizing the Commission to promote the availability of certain information on charges by practitioners and reimbursements from payors; authorizing the Commission to impose certain requirements on payors; and generally relating to the Maryland Health Care Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 19-103 and 19-134

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

BY repealing

Article - Health - General

Section 19-136

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

BY renumbering

Article - Health - General

Section 19-137 through 19-139, respectively

to be Section 19-136 through 19-138, respectively

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

19-103.

- (a) There is a Maryland Health Care Commission.
- (b) The Commission is an independent commission that functions in the Department.
 - (c) The purpose of the Commission is to: