

MANNER AS DETERMINED FOR A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION UNDER §§ 19-705.1 AND 19-705.2 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE.

(C) THE COMMISSIONER MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, TO ESTABLISH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MEDICARE SELECT PROGRAM.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

Approved May 15, 2001.

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**CHAPTER 564**

**(House Bill 1457)**

AN ACT concerning

**Election Law - Uniform Statewide Voting Systems**

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Elections, in consultation with the local boards *of elections*, to select and certify a uniform statewide voting system for voting in polling places and a uniform statewide voting system for absentee voting; ~~repealing a certain requirement that the State Board adopt regulations for the review, certification, and decertification of voting systems used by local boards requiring the State Board to acquire the voting system selected and certified for voting in polling places in consultation with the local boards; requiring the State Board to provide for the operation and maintenance costs, storage, and staff training associated with the voting system acquired by the State Board under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; authorizing the State Board to request payment from each county for certain fiscal years for the voting system acquired by the State Board in accordance with certain provisions; requiring each county to pay a certain cost component of the voting system acquired by the State Board under certain circumstances; altering the factors that the State Board shall consider in determining whether a voting system meets certain standards; requiring the State Board to adopt regulations relating to requirements for uniform statewide voting systems; repealing certain provisions relating to the certification and decertification of certain voting systems; repealing a certain provision relating to the requirement of the State Board to notify local boards with respect to the certification of the voting systems used by the local boards; clarifying the authority of a county to borrow money for the acquisition of a voting system under certain circumstances; making the inapplicability of certain provisions concerning mechanical lever voting machines subject to a certain contingency; and generally relating to uniform statewide voting systems~~ *certain voting systems for certain purposes; requiring the voting systems selected and certified by the State Board to be used in all counties; altering the requirements for and considerations by which the State Board certifies voting systems under certain circumstances; providing that certain provisions of law concerning the prohibition on the use of mechanical*