(2) The Trustee shall report to the Governor, and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2001 and annually thereafter on the status of the assets of the Trust.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on receipt of any public or charitable assets as a result of the acquisition of a nonprofit health service plan or a nonprofit health maintenance organization, approved by the Maryland Insurance Administration on or after June 1, 2001, in accordance with Title 6.5 of the State Government Article, the Maryland Health Care Foundation shall deposit the entirety of the assets in the Maryland Health Care Trust established under Section 2 of this Act.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the General Assembly expressly reserves the right to change or modify the law with regard to use of the assets of the Maryland Health Care Trust created in Section 2 of this Act, through legislation other than the State budget bill.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2001.

Approved May 18, 2001.

## CHAPTER 702

(House Bill 1071)

AN ACT concerning

<u>Maryland</u> Medical Assistance <u>Program</u> and <u>Maryland</u> Children's Health <u>Programs</u> <u>Program</u> - Reimbursement Rates Fairness Act of 2001

FOR the purpose of providing for the adjustment of certain fee for service reimbursement rates for the Medical Assistance and Children's Health Programs; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Department to identify certain Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes at a certain frequency; requiring the Department to ensure the review of certain CPT codes and the recommendation of certain reimbursement rates at certain times; requiring the Department to identify certain reimbursement rates for certain CPT codes establish a certain process to annually set fee-for-service reimbursement rates for certain programs in a manner that ensures participation of providers, taking certain systems into consideration; requiring the Department to submit a certain report to the Governor and to certain standing committees of the General Assembly in a certain manner by a certain date; and generally relating to reimbursement rates under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Maryland Children's Health Programs Program.

BY repealing and reconceting, with amendments,

Article Health General