maintenance organizations, agents, and brokers and insurance producers cooperate with the Commission in the execution of the study by providing data in a timely and complete manner.

<u>SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1, 2003, the Maryland Health Care Commission:</u>

- (1) shall prepare a report on:
- (i) the methodology used by the Commission in developing the Comprehensive Standard Health Benefit Plan in the small group market; and
- (ii) the feasibility of creating a Basic Plan in addition to the Standard Plan in the small group market; and
- (2) shall submit its report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.

SECTION $\frac{3}{2}$. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2003.

Approved April 22, 2003.

CHAPTER 94

(Senate Bill 480)

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AN ACT concerning

Income Tax Subtraction Modification - Military Retirement Income

Task Force to Study the Financial Impact of Retired Military Service

Personnel on the Economy of the State

- FOR the purpose of altering a certain subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for military retirement income over a certain period of time; providing that retirement income that is included in a certain subtraction may not be taken into account for purposes of a certain subtraction modification allowed under the income tax for certain individuals who are at least a certain age or who are disabled or have disabled spouses; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to a subtraction modification for military retirement income.
- FOR the purpose of establishing a Task Force to Study the Financial Impact of Retired Military Service Personnel on the Economy of the State; providing for the composition of the Task Force; requiring the Governor to designate the chairman of the Task Force; providing for the staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member from receiving certain compensation; authorizing a member to receive certain reimbursement; establishing the duties of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to report its findings to the Governor and the