CHAPTER 344

(House Bill 950)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Pharmacy Assistance Program - Copayment

FOR the purpose of altering the required copayment for the Maryland Pharmacy Assistance Program; and generally relating to copayments and the Maryland Pharmacy Assistance Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 15-124(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 15–124(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

15-124.

- (a) (1) The Department shall maintain a Maryland Pharmacy Assistance Program for low income individuals whose:
- (i) Assets are not more than 1.5 times the amount of accountable resources according to the asset schedule of the Maryland Medical Assistance Program; and
 - (ii) Gross annual income does not exceed:
- 1. \$4,600 plus \$500 for each individual over 1 in a family unit; and
- 2. An annual increase set by the Secretary under paragraph (2)(ii)4 of this subsection.
- (b) (1) (i) Reimbursement under the Maryland Pharmacy Assistance Program may be limited to maintenance drugs, anti-infectives, and AZT as specified in regulations to be issued by the Secretary after consultation with the Maryland Pharmacists Association.