trauma physicians, hospital-based and university-based physicians, and other health care providers as determined by the Commissions;

- (v) the prevalence of and justifications for health care provider reimbursement methodologies employed by commercial insurance carriers, including health maintenance organizations, that are based on provider licensure; and
- (vi) the level of reimbursement provided by commercial payers in the State as a percentage of provider costs compared to reimbursement provided by public payers as a percentage of provider costs;
- (c) It is the intent of the General Assembly that licensed entities and individuals including health insurers, nonprofit health service plans, health maintenance organizations, hospitals, physicians, and nonphysician providers cooperate with the Commissions in the execution of the study by providing data in a timely and complete manner.
- (d) The findings and recommendations of the study shall be presented, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the House Economic Matters Committee and Senate Finance Committee on or before January 1, 2004.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before January 1, 2003, the Board of Nursing, in consultation with representatives of health maintenance organizations that operate in the State, shall report in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and House Environmental Matters Committee on whether health maintenance organizations in the State should:

- (1) individually credential nurse practitioners; and
- (2) allow for the designation by a member or subscriber of a nurse practitioner as a primary care provider.

SECTION 2. 2. 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2002.

Approved April 25, 2002.

CHAPTER 251

(House Bill 811)

AN ACT concerning

Alcoholic Beverages - Direct Wine Seller's Permit

FOR the purpose of establishing a direct wine seller's permit to be issued by the Office of the Comptroller to certain persons who are domiciled outside of the State; entitling a permit holder to sell wine to a certain personal consumer in the State by receiving and filling orders that the personal consumer transmits by electronic or other means; establishing certain requirements, term, and fee