- (41) A NURSE WHO SPECIALIZES IN EMERGENCY ROOM MEDICINE; AND
- $\frac{(40)}{MANAGEMENT.}$  ANY OTHER INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP KNOWLEDGEABLE IN PAIN MANAGEMENT.
- (C) (1) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2003, THE ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL ISSUE AN INTERIM REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THAT INCLUDES RECOMMENDATIONS ON PAIN MANAGEMENT ISSUES IN MARYLAND.
- (2) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2004, THE ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL ISSUE A FINAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH  $\S$  2–1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THAT INCLUDES RECOMMENDATIONS ON PAIN MANAGEMENT ISSUES IN MARYLAND.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article Health General

19 348.1.

EACH HEALTH CARE FACILITY, AS DEFINED IN § 19-114 OF THIS TITLE, SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE ROUTINE MONITORING OF PATIENT PAIN BY ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR:

- (1) INQUIRING WHETHER A PATIENT IS IN PAIN;
- (2) ASKING A PATIENT TO RATE THE PATIENT'S DEGREE OF PAIN FOR A SPECIFIED PERIOD OF TIME AND TO RECORD THE PATIENT'S RESPONSES; AND
- (3) ROUTINELY RECORDING LEVELS OF PAIN INTENSITY ON PATIENT CHARTS.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002. Section 1 Section 2 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of September 30, 2004, with no further action required by the General Assembly, Section 1 Section 2 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

May 16, 2002

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate State House Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 289 – Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission – Termination Date Extension and Modifications.