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(A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE BOARD OF PHARMACY, TOGETHER WITH THE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN QUALITY ASSURANCE, SHALL JOINTLY DEVELOP AND ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE PROVISIONS THAT:

- (1) DEFINE THE CRITERIA FOR PHYSICIAN-PHARMACIST AGREEMENTS;
- (2) ESTABLISH GUIDELINES CONCERNING THE USE OF PROTOCOLS, INCLUDING COMMUNICATION, DOCUMENTATION, AND OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS; AND
- (3) ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO ALLOW FOR THE APPROVAL, MODIFICATION, CONTINUATION, OR DISAPPROVAL OF SPECIFIC PROTOCOLS BY THE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN QUALITY ASSURANCE AND THE BOARD OF PHARMACY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the regulations required by this Act shall be adopted within 6 months of the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Board of Pharmacy and the Board of Physician Quality Assurance shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before October 1, 2006 on the effect of this Act and any recommendations for legislative or regulatory action.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall conduct a study to assess the outcomes achieved by drug therapy management agreements as provided for under this Act.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002. It shall remain effective for a period of 5 years ~~from the effective date of regulations adopted under this Act. At the end of 5 years and 6 8 months and, at the end of March May 31, 2008,~~ with no further action required by the General Assembly, 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 687 - Primary and Secondary Education - Baltimore City-State Partnership.

This bill requires the State to continue its financial support for the Baltimore