

May 16, 2002

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr.
Speaker of the House
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 1157 – Hospitals – Uniform Standard Credentialing Form.

This bill requires a hospital to use the uniform standard credentialing form as the initial application of a physician seeking to be credentialed.

Senate Bill 819, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1157.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

House Bill No. 1157

AN ACT concerning

~~Health Care Practitioners~~ Credentials Hospitals - Uniform Standard Credentialing Form

FOR the purpose of requiring a hospital to use a uniform standard credentialing form as a condition of licensure; ~~requiring a uniform credentialing form to provide for the collection of certain information for carriers, credentialing intermediaries, and health care facilities; requiring a health care facility to accept the uniform credentialing form as the sole application for a health care provider; requiring the uniform credentialing form be made available to a health care provider that is to be credentialed by a health care facility; authorizing the Insurance Commissioner to impose a certain penalty to a health care facility for certain reasons; altering certain definitions requiring hospitals to use the uniform standard credentialing form as the initial application of a physician seeking to be credentialed; providing that the use of the uniform standard credentialing form does not preclude a hospital from requiring additional information; authorizing the Insurance Commissioner to permit a carrier to use a health care facility's credentialing form in certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to consult with certain organizations in the development of the uniform standard credentialing form; defining a certain term; providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to a uniform standard credentialing form for a ~~health care provider hospitals.~~~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General