

(3) any obstacles, including legal obstacles, to implementation of the plan; and

(4) a proposed schedule for implementation of the plan.

(h) On or before December 31, 2007, the Department shall report on the plan to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~July~~ June 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor, May 8, 2007.

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## CHAPTER 446

(House Bill 1006)

AN ACT concerning

### Workers' Compensation - Benefits - Cost of Living Adjustment

FOR the purpose of requiring certain employers to provide a certain annual cost of living adjustment for compensation paid for claims arising from events occurring before a certain date; authorizing certain employers, counties, and municipal corporations to provide a certain annual cost of living adjustment for compensation paid for claims arising from events occurring before a certain date; defining a certain term; providing for the application of this Act; making the provisions of this Act severable; and generally relating to cost of living adjustments made for workers' compensation benefits.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article - Labor and Employment  
Section 9-638  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

BY adding to  
Article - Labor and Employment  
Section 9-638.1