

(III) ANY PENALTIES ESTABLISHED BY THE SECRETARY BY REGULATION FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION NOT TO EXCEED \$50 PER DAY FOR EACH DAY A VIOLATION EXISTS.

(b) (1) The Secretary shall adopt rules and regulations that set standards for payment by the spouse based on the ability of the spouse to pay all or part of the cost of care. To determine reasonably the ability to pay, the Secretary shall evaluate available income, ordinary living expenses, special expenses, and assets, other than the homestead of the spouse and its appurtenances.

(2) NOTWITHSTANDING THE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE SPOUSE MAY ALSO BE LIABLE FOR COSTS AND PENALTIES UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(2) OF THIS SECTION.

(c) (1) The Secretary may collect the money owed.

(2) The central collection unit in the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning shall collect delinquent accounts and debts.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1992.

Approved May 26, 1992.

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CHAPTER 629

(House Bill 1508)

AN ACT concerning

**Silicone Gel Breast Implants – ~~Temporary Prohibition~~ Physician Compliance with the Federal Food and Drug Administration Requirements**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting a physician from operating on a patient to insert a breast implant that contains silicone gel ~~pending a certain evaluation by a certain advisory board and a certain decision by~~ except in accordance with the rules and regulations of the federal Food and Drug Administration; authorizing the State Board of Physician Quality Assurance to take disciplinary action against a physician who violates this Act; and generally relating to ~~a temporary prohibition against~~ operations to insert a breast implant that contains silicone gel.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Health – General

Section 20-114

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1990 Replacement Volume and 1991 Supplement)

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