

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Joint Committee on Health Care Delivery and Financing shall review the current use and development of health care practice protocols to assist physicians and other health care practitioners in the delivery of medically necessary care. The Joint Committee shall also review the extent to which the current practice protocols are reflected in the utilization review standards and criteria developed by private review agents. The Joint Committee shall consider the feasibility and desirability of using model practice protocols as the standard of care in adjudicating medical malpractice claims or as a factor considered by the Board of Physician Quality Assurance in any disciplinary action related to appropriate utilization of services.

SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1992.

May 26, 1992

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

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 605.

This bill would establish a Kidney Disease Fund and would require the State Commission on Kidney Disease to establish by regulation a fee to be paid by all certified dialysis and transplant centers.

House Bill 1246, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 12, 1992, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 605.

Sincerely,
William Donald Schaefer
Governor

Senate Bill No. 605

AN ACT concerning

Kidney Disease Fund

FOR the purpose of establishing the Kidney Disease Fund; requiring the ~~State Commission on Kidney Disease~~ Secretary of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene ~~Secretary of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene~~ State Commission on Kidney Disease to establish by regulation a certain fee to be paid by all certified dialysis and transplant centers under certain circumstances; limiting a certain fee; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to collect and transfer the fees collected into the Fund; specifying