

(2) A RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION THAT OBTAINS AN EXCLUSION UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL PROVIDE ITS EMPLOYEES REASONABLE AND TIMELY NOTICE OF THE EXCLUSION.

~~(3) THE PREMIUM RATE FOR A POLICY, PLAN, OR CONTRACT OF AN ENTITY SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE AFFECTED BY THE RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION'S EXCLUSION FROM THE COVERAGE REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.~~

Article - Health - General

19-706.

(i) The provisions of §§ 15-105, 15-112, 15-113, 15-804, [and], 15-812 AND 15-826 of the Insurance Article shall apply to health maintenance organizations.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to all policies and health benefit plans issued, delivered, or renewed in the State on or after October 1, 1998.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

Approved April 28, 1998.

CHAPTER 118

(Senate Bill 137)

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance - Medical Clinical Trials - Coverage

FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurers ~~and~~, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for certain patient ~~costs~~ cost incurred as a result of a treatment being provided or studies being conducted in accordance with a clinical trial under certain circumstances; requiring certain insurers ~~and~~, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for the cost of certain drugs and devices under certain circumstances; providing for the application of this Act; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; requiring an entity seeking coverage under this Act to post electronically and keep up-to-date a certain list; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to report certain information to the Insurance Commissioner; requiring the Insurance Commissioner to make a certain summary report; requiring the Insurance Commissioner to create a certain workgroup; requiring the workgroup to undertake a certain study and present a certain report; providing for the applicability application of this Act; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to requiring certain insurers ~~and~~, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance