- (e) If the corporation at all times remains qualified to engage in business in the State, the certificate of authority, agent appointments, forms, and other filings existing at the time of the conversion shall continue in effect after the conversion.
- (f) All outstanding contracts of the converting corporation shall remain in effect and need not otherwise be endorsed unless ordered by the Commissioner.
- (g) The Commissioner or designee of the Commissioner may conduct a hearing on the proposed conversion of a corporation subject to this subtitle into a mutual health insurer.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any acquisition completed or certificate of need or certificate of authority granted before the effective date of this Act.

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

Approved April 28, 1998.

CHAPTER 125

(House Bill 1062)

AN ACT concerning

Consumer Protection - Drug Storage and Shipment Safety Act

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Pharmacy to adopt certain regulations concerning the delivery by certain means into the State of prescription drug orders to patients or their agents at certain places; requiring certain distribution permit holders to maintain adequate storage or shipment containers, including proper packaging materials, for certain purposes and pharmacy permit holders to place certain notices into certain shipments of prescription drugs; and generally relating to the authority of the State Board of Pharmacy concerning the delivery and shipment of certain drugs into the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations

Section 12-602 12-403(b)(15) and (16) and (f)(7) and (8)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY adding to

<u>Article - Health Occupations</u>

Section 12-403(b)(17) and (f)(9)

Annotated Code of Maryland