

CHAPTER 410

(Senate Bill 554)

AN ACT concerning

Medicaid - Emergency Service Transporters - Reimbursement

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to reimburse certain public emergency service transporters for the costs of transportation and medical services provided to a Medicaid Program recipient during transport to certain facilities in response to a 911 call if the emergency service transporter charges for its services and requests reimbursement from the Program; setting a limit on the amount of reimbursement from the Program; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations on or before a certain date; defining a certain term; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to reimbursement for certain emergency service transporters under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article - Health - General
Section 1-101(a) and (c) and 15-101(a), (c), (h), and (i)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1994 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article - Health - General
Section 15-114.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1994 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Health - General

1-101.

- (a) In this article the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (c) "Department" means the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

15-101.

- (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (c) "Facility" means a hospital or nursing facility including an intermediate care facility, skilled nursing facility, comprehensive care facility, or extended care facility.
- (h) "Program" means the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.