Chapter 304 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1996. If that termination provision takes effect, Section 1 of this Act shall be void. This Act may not be interpreted to have any effect on that termination provision.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions of Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

Approved April 14, 1998.

CHAPTER 54

(House Bill 281)

AN ACT concerning

Office on Aging - Continuing Care Contracts

FOR the purpose of specifying that certain escrow agreements are executed by providers and financial institutions; eliminating the requirement that certain advertising be approved by the Office on Aging; altering the requirements regarding the appearance of certain provisions in continuing care contracts; altering certain terminology; clarifying that a provider may withhold a certain amount from a refund under certain circumstances; altering certain requirements regarding the disclosure of certain fees in a certain statement; and generally relating to continuing care.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 70B - Office on Aging

Section 7(c), 10(d), (e)(6) and (9), and (f), 11C(c)(4) and (15), 11E(b), 13(a), 14, and 22A(a) and (l)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 70B - Office on Aging

Section 10(a), 11C(a), and 11E(a)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 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 70B - Office on Aging

7.

(c) (1) "Continuing care" means furnishing shelter and either medical and nursing services or other health related [benefits] SERVICES to an individual 60 years of age or older not related by blood or marriage to the provider for the life of the