

(b) (1) If the report filed electronically under subsection (a) of this section is required to be made under oath or affirmation, the oath or affirmation shall be made by [a signed statement] AN ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE that:

- and
- (i) is in the report or attached to and made part of the report;
 - (ii) is made expressly under the penalties for perjury.

(2) [A signed statement] AN ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE made under paragraph (1) of this subsection subjects the individual making it to the penalties for perjury to the same extent as an oath or affirmation made before an individual authorized to administer oaths.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2008.

Approved by the Governor, April 8, 2008.

CHAPTER 25

(Senate Bill 192)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Health Insurance Plan – Application of Insurance Fraud Law

FOR the purpose of providing that certain provisions of law relating to fraudulent insurance acts that apply to insurers also apply to the Maryland Health Insurance Plan.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 27-402

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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