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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Personal Injury Actions - Subrogated Medical Expenses - Reduction

- 3 FOR the purpose of requiring that the amount for which a health insurerhas claimed a
- 4 right of subrogation for expenses paid on behalf of an insured injured party be
- 5 reduced by a certain amount related to the amount of attorney's feesincurred by
- 6 the injured party in a personal injury action.

7 BY adding to

- 8 Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings
- 9 Section 11-111
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)
- 12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

15 11-111.

- 16 IN AN ACTION FOR PERSONAL INJURY, THE AMOUNT FOR WHICH PAYMENT OF
- 17 BENEFITS HAS BEEN MADE UNDER A POLICY OF HEALTH INSURANCE, AS DEFINED
- 18 IN ARTICLE 48A, § 66 OF THE CODE, ON BEHALF OF THE INJURED PARTY, AND FOR
- 19 WHICH THE INSURER HAS EXERCISED ITS RIGHT OF SUBROGATION, SHALL BE
- $20\,$ REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT THAT IS DETERMINED BY DIVIDING THE AMOUNT OF
- 21 THE MONETARY AWARD INTO THE AMOUNT OF THE ATTORNEY'S FEES INCURRED
- 22 BY THE INJURED PARTY FOR SERVICES RENDERED IN CONNECTION WITH THE
- 23 ACTION AND MULTIPLYING THE RESULT BY THE AMOUNT OF THE INSURER'S
- 24 SUBROGATION CLAIM.
- 25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 26 October 1, 1996.