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AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 904

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 15, after "organization;" insert "requiring health maintenance organizations to annually submit certain information to the Unit regarding the allocation of certain premium dollars, certain court judgments or arbitration awards, certain discipline actions and grievances, the results of certain reviews, and certain changes to certain provider panel lists;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 6, in line 24, after "NUMBER" insert "AND NATURE"; and after line 34, insert:

"(G) EACH HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE HEALTH EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY UNIT OF THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER PROTECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, BY JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR, A DOCUMENT THAT DESCRIBES:

(1) THE PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL PREMIUM DOLLARS OF THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION DEVOTED TO:

(I) MEDICAL CARE;

(II) ADMINISTRATION; AND

(III) PROFIT OR RETURN OF EQUITY;

(2) ANY COURT JUDGMENT OR ARBITRATION AWARD AGAINST THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 10-YEAR PERIOD IN WHICH:

(Over)

(I) A PAYMENT IS AWARDED TO A COMPLAINING PARTY AGAINST THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION; OR

(II) A PAYMENT IS MADE TO A COMPLAINING PARTY BY A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION AS A RESULT OF A SETTLEMENT OF THE CLAIM;

(3) ALL DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS AGAINST THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION IN THE STATE OR ANY OTHER STATE WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 10-YEAR PERIOD;

(4) THE NUMBER AND NATURE OF THE GRIEVANCES FILED WITH THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION; AND

(5) THE FINAL RESULTS OF THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION'S ANNUAL MARYLAND MEDICAID HMO REVIEW AS PROVIDED BY AN INDEPENDENT PEER REVIEW ORGANIZATION.

(H) EACH HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL REPORT ON A QUARTERLY BASIS TO THE HEALTH EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY UNIT OF THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER PROTECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, ANY CHANGES TO THE LIST OF PHYSICIANS ON THE PROVIDER PANELS OF THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION.”.