

BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 373

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 15, strike “increasing” and substitute “altering”; and in line 19, after “19-712.5” insert “, 19-729.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, before line 11, insert:

“19-729.

(a) A health maintenance organization may not:

- (1) Violate any provision of this subtitle or any rule or regulation adopted under it;
- (2) Fail to fulfill its obligations to provide the health care services specified in its contracts with subscribers;
- (3) Make any false statement with respect to any report or statement required by this subtitle or by the Commissioner under this subtitle;
- (4) Advertise, merchandise, or attempt to merchandise its services in a way that misrepresents its services or capacity for service;
- (5) Engage in a deceptive, misleading, unfair, or unauthorized practice as to advertising or merchandising;
- (6) Prevent or attempt to prevent the Commissioner or the Department from performing any duty imposed by this subtitle;

(Over)

(7) Fraudulently obtain or fraudulently attempt to obtain any benefit under this subtitle;

(8) Fail to fulfill the basic requirements to operate as a health maintenance organization as provided in § 19-710 of this subtitle;

(9) Violate any applicable provision of Title 15, Subtitle 12 of the Insurance Article;  
[or]

(10) Fail to provide services to a member in a timely manner as provided in § 19-705.1(b)(1) of this subtitle; OR

(11) VIOLATE ANY PROVISION OF § 19-712.5 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(b) If any health maintenance organization violates this section, the Commissioner may pursue any one or more of the courses of action described in § 19-730 of this subtitle.”;

in line 12, strike the brackets; and in the same line, strike “§§ 19-712.5 AND 19-729”.