## **HOUSE BILL 860**

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	A BILL ENTITLED			
1	AN ACT concerning			
2 3	Health Insurance Carriers - Assignment, Transfer, or Subcontracting of Health Care Providers' Contracts			
4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	terms; and generally relating to the assignment, transfer, or subcontracting of			
13 14 15 16 17	Section 15-124 Annotated Code of Maryland			
18 19 20 21 22	Section 19-706(y) Annotated Code of Maryland			
23 24	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 4 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:			
25	Article - Insurance			
26	15-124.			
27	(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS			

25 19-706.

29 October 1, 1998.

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1	(2)	"CARR	ER" MEANS:
2		(I)	AN INSURER;
3		(II)	A NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN;
4		(III)	A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION;
5		(IV)	A DENTAL PLAN ORGANIZATION; OR
6 7	SUBJECT TO REGU	(V) LATION	ANY OTHER PERSON THAT PROVIDES HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS BY THE STATE.
		TH CAR	RACT" MEANS THE IMPLIED OR EXPRESS AGREEMENT E PROVIDER AND CARRIER, INCLUDING THE RIGHTS, ICHEDULE FOR THE PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES.
		FIED, OF	TH CARE PROVIDER" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS R OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED UNDER THE HEALTH TO PROVIDE HEALTH CARE SERVICES.
16 17	SUBCONTRACT A INSURER THAT OF OF THIS ARTICLE	HEALTI FFERS PI WITHOU	RIER MAY NOT IN ANY MANNER ASSIGN, TRANSFER, OR H CARE PROVIDER'S CONTRACT, WHOLLY OR PARTLY, TO AN ERSONAL INJURY PROTECTION COVERAGE UNDER § 19-505 JT FIRST INFORMING THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AND CARE PROVIDER'S EXPRESS WRITTEN CONSENT.
21 22	THE BASIS THAT	IPLOYM ΓΗΕ ΗΕΑ ANSFER	RIER MAY NOT TERMINATE, LIMIT, OR OTHERWISE IMPAIR THE IENT OF A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER WITH THE CARRIER ON ALTH CARE PROVIDER REFUSED TO AGREE TO AN , OR SUBCONTRACT OF ALL OR PART OF THE HEALTH CARE
24			Article - Health - General

 $26~\rm{(Y)}~\rm{THE}$  PROVISIONS OF  $\S$  15-124 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE APPLY TO 27 HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS.

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