

BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 728

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 9, after “circumstances;” insert “authorizing a health maintenance organization to require a noncontracting trauma physician to provide certain information; requiring a trauma center to make certain information available under certain circumstances; altering a certain definition; defining certain terms; providing for the application of this Act;”; in line 10, after “by” insert “a”; and in line 14, strike “19-710.1(b)” and substitute “19-710.1(a) and (b)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 20, insert:

“(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) “Enrollee” means a subscriber or member of the health maintenance organization.

(3) “Covered service” means a health care service included in the benefit package of the health maintenance organization and rendered to an enrollee of the health maintenance organization by a health care provider, including a physician or hospital, not under written contract with the health maintenance organization[:

(i) Pursuant to a verbal or written referral by the enrollee’s health maintenance organization or by a provider under written contract with the enrollee’s health maintenance organization; or

(ii) That has been preauthorized or otherwise approved either verbally or in writing by the enrollee's health maintenance organization or a provider under written contract with the enrollee's health maintenance organization].

(Over)

(4) “Adjunct claims documentation” means an abstract of an enrollee's medical record which describes and summarizes the diagnosis and treatment of, and services rendered to, the enrollee, INCLUDING, IN THE CASE OF TRAUMA RENDERED IN A TRAUMA CENTER, AN OPERATIVE REPORT, A DISCHARGE SUMMARY, A MARYLAND AMBULANCE INFORMATION SYSTEMS FORM, OR A MEDICAL RECORD.

(5) “INSTITUTE” MEANS THE MARYLAND INSTITUTE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEMS.

(6) (I) “TRAUMA CENTER” MEANS A PRIMARY ADULT RESOURCE CENTER, LEVEL I TRAUMA CENTER, LEVEL II TRAUMA CENTER, LEVEL III TRAUMA CENTER, OR PEDIATRIC TRAUMA CENTER THAT HAS BEEN DESIGNATED BY THE INSTITUTE TO PROVIDE CARE TO TRAUMA PATIENTS.

(II) “TRAUMA CENTER” INCLUDES AN OUT-OF-STATE PEDIATRIC FACILITY THAT HAS ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE INSTITUTE TO PROVIDE CARE TO TRAUMA PATIENTS.

(7) “TRAUMA PATIENT” MEANS A PATIENT THAT IS EVALUATED OR TREATED IN A TRAUMA CENTER AND IS ENTERED INTO THE STATE TRAUMA REGISTRY AS A TRAUMA PATIENT.

(8) “TRAUMA PHYSICIAN” MEANS A LICENSED PHYSICIAN WHO HAS BEEN CREDENTIALLED OR DESIGNATED BY A TRAUMA CENTER TO PROVIDE CARE TO A TRAUMA PATIENT AT A TRAUMA CENTER.”.

On page 2, strike lines 12 through 14 in their entirety and substitute:

“2. A TRAUMA PHYSICIAN FOR TRAUMA CARE RENDERED TO A TRAUMA PATIENT IN A TRAUMA CENTER, AT THE GREATER OF:”; in line 31, after “(1)(ii)2” insert “AND 3”; and after line 32, insert:

“(3) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION MAY REQUIRE A TRAUMA PHYSICIAN NOT UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION TO SUBMIT APPROPRIATE ADJUNCT CLAIMS DOCUMENTATION AND TO INCLUDE ON THE

UNIFORM CLAIM FORM A PROVIDER NUMBER ASSIGNED TO THE TRAUMA PHYSICIAN BY THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION.

(II) IF A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION REQUIRES A TRAUMA PHYSICIAN TO INCLUDE A PROVIDER NUMBER ON THE UNIFORM CLAIM FORM IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL ASSIGN A PROVIDER NUMBER TO A TRAUMA PHYSICIAN NOT UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION AT THE REQUEST OF THE PHYSICIAN.

(4) A TRAUMA CENTER, ON REQUEST FROM A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION, SHALL VERIFY THAT A LICENSED PHYSICIAN IS CREDENTIALLED OR OTHERWISE DESIGNATED BY THE TRAUMA CENTER TO PROVIDE TRAUMA CARE.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, after line 32, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to services rendered on or after October 1, 2001.”; in line 33, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”; and in line 34, strike “June 1, 2001” and substitute “October 1, 2001”.