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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 State Commission on Kidney Disease

- 3 FOR the purpose of altering the composition of the membership of the State
- 4 Commission on Kidney Disease; authorizing the Commission to designate
- 5 certain necessary staff for certain purposes; authorizing the Commission to
- 6 appoint an executive director; providing that the executive director shall have
- 7 duties as specified by the Commission and shall serve at the pleasure of the
- 8 Commission; authorizing the Commission to collect certain fees; authorizing the
- 9 Commission to certify a dialysis or transplant center that meets certain
- standards; and generally relating to the State Commission on Kidney Disease.
- 11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 12 Article Health General
- 13 Section 13-305(a)(2), 13-306, 13-309, 13-310, and 13-310.1
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2000 Replacement Volume)
- 16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 Article - Health - General

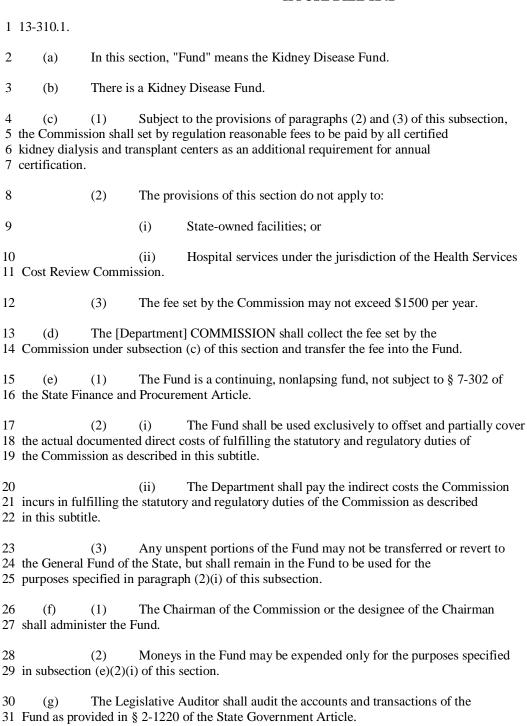
- 19 13-305.
- 20 (a) (2) Of the 12 Commission members:
- 21 (i) 1 shall be an individual from the [medical insurance industry]
- 22 RENAL ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION;
- 23 (ii) 4 shall be individuals who are laypersons to the field of
- 24 medicine;
- 25 (iii) 3 shall be individuals appointed at the discretion of the
- 26 Governor WHO ARE MEDICAL SPECIALISTS OR OTHER PATIENT CARE PROVIDERS IN
- 27 NEPHROLOGY OR KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS; and

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1 2	this subsection.	(iv)	4 shall be individuals appointed as provided in paragraph (3) of	
3	13-306.			
4	(a) The	The members present at a meeting are a quorum to do business.		
5 6	(b) The Commission shall meet at least twice a year, at the times and places that it determines.			
7	(c) A me	(c) A member of the Commission:		
8	(1)	May no	t receive compensation; but	
9 10	(2) Travel Regulation	(2) Is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Regulations, as provided in the State budget.		
11 12	(d) The [Secretary] COMMISSION shall designate the staff necessary to carry out this subtitle.			
13 14	3 (E) (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL APPOINT AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WHO 4 SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE COMMISSION.			
	5 (2) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE 6 COMMISSION AND THE DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL BE AS 7 ASSIGNED BY THE COMMISSION.			
18	13-309.			
19	The Secretary:			
	(1) Is responsible for the operation of the Kidney Disease Program under this subtitle within the rules, regulations, and standards that the Commission and the Department adopt;			
23 24	(2) Shall disburse and, EXCEPT FOR THE PROVISIONS OF § 13-310.1(D) OF THIS SUBTITLE, collect any funds under this subtitle; and			
25	(3)	Shall ke	Shall keep the Commission informed of:	
26		(i)	The progress of the Kidney Disease Program; and	
27		(ii)	Any need for a change in its rules, regulations, or standards.	
28	13-310.			
29 30	The [Department] COMMISSION shall certify a dialysis or transplant center that meets the standards that the Commission adopts under this subtitle.			

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33 October 1, 2001.



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