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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Health Maintenance Organizations - Reimbursement of Noncontracting**
3 **Providers - Trauma Centers**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring a health maintenance organization to pay certain
5 claims submitted by certain providers of medical care at a certain rate under
6 certain circumstances; providing for the termination of this Act under certain
7 circumstances; and generally relating to the reimbursement of noncontracting
8 providers by health maintenance organization for medical care rendered at a
9 trauma center.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article - Health - General
12 Section 19-710.1(b)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2000 Replacement Volume)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article - Health - General**

18 19-710.1.

19 (b) (1) In addition to any other provisions of this subtitle, for a covered
20 service rendered to an enrollee of a health maintenance organization by a health care
21 provider not under written contract with the health maintenance organization, the
22 health maintenance organization or its agent:

23 (i) Shall pay the health care provider within 30 days after the
24 receipt of a claim in accordance with the applicable provisions of this subtitle; and

25 (ii) Shall pay the claim submitted by:

26 1. A hospital at the rate approved by the Health Services
27 Cost Review Commission; [and]

