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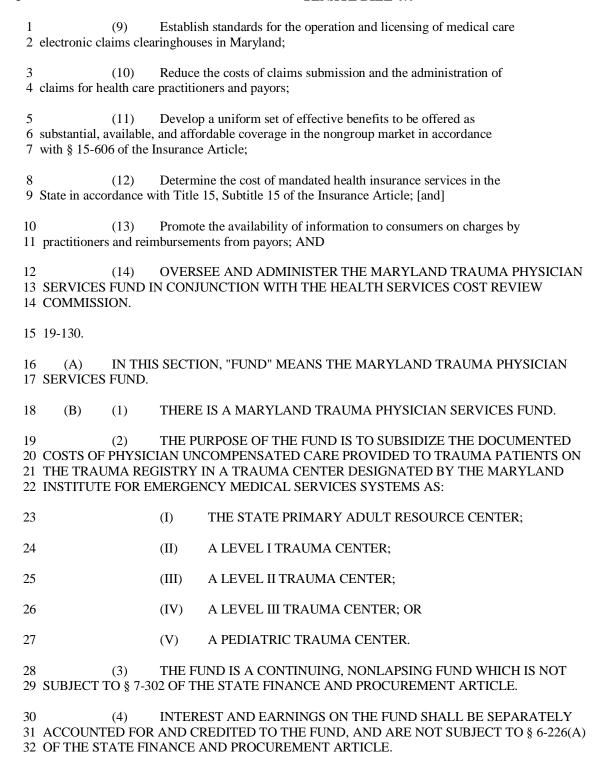
1 AN ACT concerning

2 Maryland Trauma System Funding Act

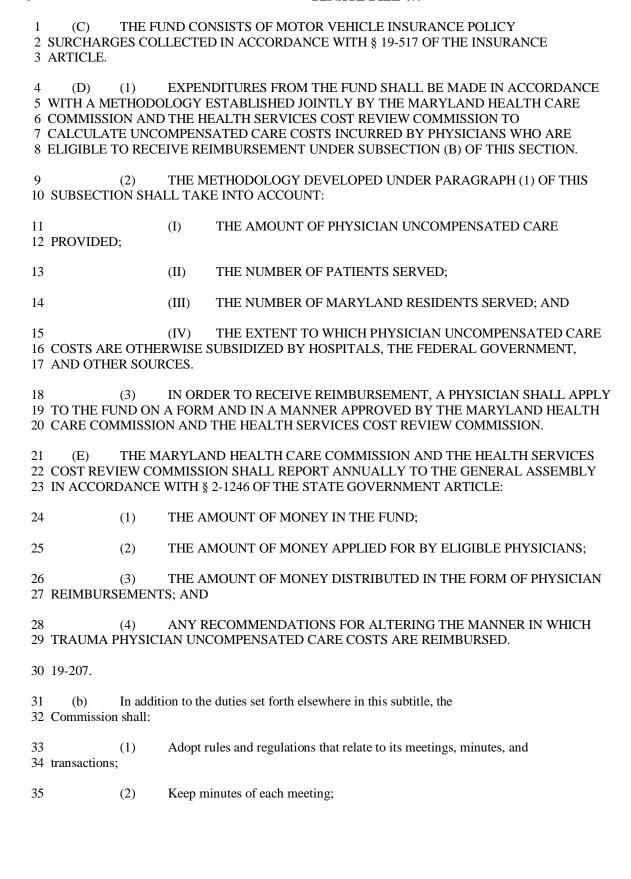
- 3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Trauma Physician Services Fund;
- 4 stating the purpose of the Fund; specifying the manner in which expenditures
- 5 may be made from the Fund; specifying certain criteria to be taken into account
- 6 in developing a certain reimbursement methodology; requiring certain
- 7 physicians to apply to the Fund for reimbursement in a certain manner;
- 8 requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission and the Health Services Cost
- 9 Review Commission to file a certain annual report with the General Assembly in
- 10 a certain manner; specifying a certain purpose of the Maryland Health Care
- 11 Commission; specifying a certain duty of the Health Services Cost Review
- 12 Commission; requiring certain insurers to remit a certain fee to the Fund in a
- 13 certain manner; authorizing certain insurers to recoup a certain fee from certain
- policyholders; defining a certain term; and generally relating to trauma
- physicians and trauma services.
- 16 BY adding to
- 17 Article Health General
- 18 Section 19-130
- 19 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 20 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)
- 21 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 22 Article Health General
- 23 Section 19-103(c) and 19-207(b)
- 24 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 25 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)
- 26 BY adding to
- 27 Article Insurance
- 28 Section 19-517
- 29 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 30 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

1 2	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:							
3	Article - Health - General							
4	19-103.							
5	(c)	(c) The purpose of the Commission is to:						
	(1) Develop health care cost containment strategies to help provide access to appropriate quality health care services for all Marylanders, after consulting with the Health Services Cost Review Commission;							
			landers, fina	e development of a health regulatory system that ancial and geographic access to quality health care				
12 13		nd impro		lvocating policies and systems to promote the efficier o health care services; and	ıt			
14 15	delivery and	regulato		hancing the strengths of the current health care service	ce			
16 17	development	(3) of publi		e public disclosure of medical claims data for the				
18 19	services rend	(4) lered by		nd develop a medical care data base on health care practitioners;				
22	(5) Encourage the development of clinical resource management systems to permit the comparison of costs between various treatment settings and the availability of information to consumers, providers, and purchasers of health care services;							
24 25	develop:	(6)	In accordance	ce with Title 15, Subtitle 12 of the Insurance Article,				
26 27		ive Stan		uniform set of effective benefits to be included in the Benefit Plan; and				
28			(ii) A n	modified health benefit plan for medical savings acco	ounts;			
29 30		(7) port on the		e medical care data base and provide, in aggregate for in costs associated with health care practitioners;	m,			
33	(8) Ensure utilization of the medical care data base as a primary means to compile data and information and annually report on trends and variances regarding fees for service, cost of care, regional and national comparisons, and indications of malpractice situations;							

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	(3) Prepare annually a budget proposal that includes the estimated income of the Commission and proposed expenses for its administration and operation;						
6	(4) Within a reasonable time after the end of each facility's fiscal year or more often as the Commission determines, prepare from the information filed with the Commission any summary, compilation, or other supplementary report that will advance the purposes of this subtitle;						
8	(5)	Periodically participate in or do analyses and studies that relate to:					
9		(i)	Health care costs;				
10		(ii)	The financial status of any facility; or				
11		(iii)	Any other appropriate matter; [and]				
14	On or before October 1 of each year, submit to the Governor, to the Secretary, and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly an annual report on the operations and activities of the Commission during the preceding fiscal year, including:						
16 17	required by this subti	(i) tle; and	A copy of each summary, compilation, and supplementary report				
18 19	Commission consider	(ii) rs necessa	Any other fact, suggestion, or policy recommendation that the ary; AND				
	(7) OVERSEE AND ADMINISTER THE MARYLAND TRAUMA PHYSICIAN SERVICES FUND IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION.						
23	23 Article - Insurance						
24	19-517.						
27	5 (A) (1) EACH INSURER THAT OFFERS, SELLS, OR DELIVERS MOTOR VEHICLE 6 LIABILITY INSURANCE POLICIES IN THE STATE SHALL PAY ANNUALLY A FEE EQUAL 7 TO \$2 MULTIPLIED BY THE TOTAL NUMBER OF MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED IN 8 THE STATE INSURED BY THE CARRIER DURING THE YEAR.						
31 32	(2) THE MONEY SHALL BE PAID INTO THE MARYLAND TRAUMA D PHYSICIAN SERVICES FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 19-130 OF THE HEALTH - GENERAL ARTICLE IN A MANNER AND AT INTERVALS DETERMINED BY THE MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION AND THE HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION.						
34 35			IRED OF AN INSURER UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS				

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 2 July 1, 2003.