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A BILL ENTITLED

Maryland Medicaid Advisory Committee - Modifications

1	AN ACT concerning		

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- 3 FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Maryland Medicaid Advisory
 4 Committee; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to seek
- 5 recommendations from certain organizations in selecting certain consumer
- 6 representatives; providing that certain consumer representatives may be
- 7 selected to serve on the Committee as a vacancy occurs; requiring the
- 8 Department to provide members of the Committee with certain advance notice
- 9 of a Committee meeting; requiring the Department to provide members of the
- 10 Committee with certain documents in a certain period of time in advance of a
- 11 Committee meeting; and generally relating to the Maryland Medicaid Advisory
- 12 Committee.

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- 13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 14 Article Health General
- 15 Section 15-103(b)(27)
- 16 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 17 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)
- 18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 20 Article Health General
- 21 15-103.
- 22 (b) (27) (i) The Department shall establish the Maryland Medicaid
- 23 Advisory Committee, composed of no more than 25 members, the majority of whom
- 24 are enrollees or enrollee advocates.
- 25 (ii) The Committee members shall include:
- 26 1. Current or former enrollees or the parents or guardians of
- 27 current or former enrollees;

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1 2	low-income population	2. groups, inclu	Providers who are familiar with the medical needs of ading board-certified physicians;
3		3.	Hospital representatives;
4 5	representatives of specia	4. al needs pop	Advocates for the Medicaid population, including ulations;
6		5.	MEDICAID RECIPIENTS;
7 8	REPRESENT THE INT	6. ERESTS OI	REPRESENTATIVES FROM ORGANIZATIONS THAT FTHE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:
9 10	DISADVANTAGED;	A.	INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE ECONOMICALLY
11		B.	CHILDREN;
12		C.	SENIORS AND THE FRAIL ELDERLY;
13		D.	INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS;
14		E.	INDIVIDUALS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
15		F.	INDIVIDUALS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES;
16		G.	INDIVIDUALS WITH BRAIN INJURIES; AND
17		Н.	INDIVIDUALS IN MEDICAL ADULT DAY CARE;
18 19	of Maryland, appointed	[5.] by the Presi	7. Two members of the Finance Committee of the Senate dent of the Senate; and
20 21	appointed by the Speak	[6.] er of the Ho	8. Three members of the Maryland House of Delegates, use.
22 23	member of the Commit		signee of each of the following shall serve as an ex-officio
24		1.	The Secretary of Human Resources;
25 26	Commission; and	2.	The Executive Director of the Maryland Health Care
27		3.	The Maryland Association of County Health Officers.
28 29	the Committee shall:	v) In ac	ldition to any duties imposed by federal law and regulation,
30 31	and evaluation of mana	1. ged care pro	Advise the Secretary on the implementation, operation, grams under this section;

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1 2	2. Review and make recommendations on the regulations developed to implement managed care programs under this section;
3	3. Review and make recommendations on the standards used in contracts between the Department and managed care organizations;
5 6	4. Review and make recommendations on the Department's oversight of quality assurance standards;
	5. Review data collected by the Department from managed care organizations participating in the Program and data collected by the Maryland Health Care Commission;
	6. Promote the dissemination of managed care organization performance information, including loss ratios, to enrollees in a manner that facilitates quality comparisons and uses layman's language;
13 14	7. Assist the Department in evaluating the enrollment process;
15	8. Review reports of the ombudsmen; and
16 17	9. Publish and submit an annual report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.
	(v) Except as specified in subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) of this paragraph, the members of the Maryland Medicaid Advisory Committee shall be appointed by the Secretary and serve for a 4-year term.
23 24 25	(VI) 1. IN SELECTING CONSUMER REPRESENTATIVES, AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II)5 AND 6 OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE SECRETARY SHALL SEEK RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE STATE PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY SYSTEM ORGANIZATION, THE STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL, THE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES COUNCIL, THE DEPARTMENT OF DISABILITIES, THE DEPARTMENT OF AGING, AND THE PUBLIC AT LARGE.
	2. CONSUMER REPRESENTATIVES, AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II)5 AND 6 OF THIS PARAGRAPH, MAY BE SELECTED TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE AS A VACANCY OCCURS.
30 31	$[(vi)] \qquad (VII) \qquad \text{In making appointments to the Committee, the Secretary shall provide for continuity and rotation.}$
32 33	$[(vii)] \qquad (VIII) \qquad \text{The Secretary shall appoint the chairman of the } \\$
36	[(viii)] (IX) The Secretary shall appoint nonvoting members from managed care organizations who may participate in Committee meetings, unless the Committee meets in closed session as provided in § 10-508 of the State Government Article.

[(ix)]1 (X) The Committee shall determine the times and places of its 2 meetings. 3 A member of the Committee: [(x)](XI) 4 1. May not receive compensation; but Is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the 5 2. 6 Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget. (XII) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE MEMBERS OF THE 8 COMMITTEE: NOTICE OF A COMMITTEE MEETING AT LEAST 1 MONTH IN 1. 10 ADVANCE OF THE MEETING; AND 11 A COPY OF THE MEETING AGENDA, INCLUDING REPORTS, 12 BACKGROUND INFORMATION, AND OTHER RELEVANT MATERIAL RELATING TO THE 13 MEETING AT LEAST 5 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING.

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- 14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 15 October 1, 2005.