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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Medical Day Care - Reimbursement**
3 **Rates**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring that the reimbursement rates for medical day care be
5 adjusted by a certain index annually; providing for the application of this Act;
6 and generally relating to reimbursement rates for medical day care services
7 through the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Health - General
10 Section 15-111
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Health - General**

16 15-111.

17 (a) The Department may authorize reimbursement of a licensed day care
18 center for the elderly or medically handicapped adults for medical care that the center
19 provides to a Program recipient who is certified as requiring nursing home care.

20 (b) (1) Reimbursement under this section is subject to the availability of
21 federal funds.

22 (2) The reimbursement rate for medical day care:

23 (i) [May not exceed a maximum per diem rate established by
24 regulation of the Department] SHALL BE ADJUSTED ANNUALLY BY ADJUSTING THE
25 PER DIEM RATE FOR THE PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR BY THE PERCENTAGE OF THE
26 ANNUAL INCREASE OR DECREASE IN THE MARCH CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR ALL

1 URBAN CONSUMERS, MEDICAL CARE COMPONENT, WASHINGTON-BALTIMORE, FROM
2 THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS; and

3 (ii) Shall cover the following:

- 4 1. Administrative overhead;
- 5 2. Drugs, supplies, and equipment;
- 6 3. Food;
- 7 4. Medical services;
- 8 5. Staff; and
- 9 6. Transportation.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 June 1, 2006, and shall be applicable to per diem rates for services provided on or
12 after July 1, 2006.