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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Medical Assistance Program - Prescriptions**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a prescription for an enrollee of the Maryland
4 Medical Assistance Program to be written or oral; prohibiting a pharmacist,
5 when dispensing a drug to a Program enrollee, from dispensing a drug on an
6 oral prescription unless the pharmacist promptly writes out and files the
7 prescription; and generally relating to a prescription for a Maryland Medical
8 Assistance Program enrollee.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article - Health - General
11 Section 15-101(h) and 21-220(b)(1)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

14 BY adding to
15 Article - Health - General
16 Section 15-118(e)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

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

21 **Article - Health - General**

22 15-101.

23 (h) "Program" means the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

24 15-118.

25 (E) THE PROVISIONS OF § 21-220(B)(1) OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL APPLY TO THE
26 PROGRAM.

1 21-220.

2 (b) (1) A prescription may be written or oral. However, a pharmacist may
3 not dispense a drug on an oral prescription unless the pharmacist promptly writes out
4 and files the prescription.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
6 October 1, 2006.