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## HB0382 – Pharmacy Benefits Administration – Maryland Medical Assistance Program and Pharmacy Benefits Managers

The bill alters the reimbursement levels for drug products that the Maryland Medical Assistance Program (MEDICAID) is required to establish and that Pharmacy Benefits Managers that contract with a pharmacy on behalf of a Managed Care Organization (MCO) are required to reimburse the pharmacy. The bill expands the definition of "purchaser" for purposes of certain provisions of law regulating PBMs to include certain insurers, nonprofit health services plans, and Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs). The PBMs shall reimburse the pharmacy an amount that is at least equal to the National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC) plus the fee-for-service professional dispensing fee determined by the Maryland Medicaid program according to the most recent in-state cost-of-dispensing survey. The bill is an emergency measure taking effect from the date of enactment.