

SENATE BILL 10

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By: **Senator Middleton**

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Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Medicaid Managed Care Pilot**
3 **Program – Sunset Extension**

4 FOR the purpose of extending the termination date of a certain Medicaid managed
5 care pilot program; and generally relating to a Medicaid managed care pilot
6 program.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article – Health – General
9 Section 15–141(a) and (b)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Chapter 4 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the First Special Session of
14 2004
15 Section 5

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

18 **Article – Health – General**

19 15–141.

20 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) “Community care organization” means an organization approved
2 by the Department that arranges for health care services with the goal of promoting
3 the delivery of services in the most appropriate, cost-effective setting.

4 (3) “Community choice program” means a program that delivers
5 services in accordance with the waiver developed under this section.

6 (b) (1) On or before November 1, 2004, the Department shall apply for a
7 waiver under the federal Social Security Act.

8 (2) As permitted by federal law or waiver, the Secretary may establish
9 a program under which Maryland Medical Assistance Program recipients are required
10 to enroll in community care organizations.

11 (3) Consistent with the federal waiver under paragraph (1) of this
12 subsection, if the Secretary establishes a program under paragraph (2) of this
13 subsection, the program may not operate in more than two areas of the State.

14 **Chapter 4 of the Acts of the First Special Session of 2004**

15 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That unless further action is
16 taken by the General Assembly, the program developed under § 15-141 of the Health
17 – General Article as enacted by this Act shall terminate at the end of May 31, [2008]
18 **2011.**

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
20 October 1, 2007.