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(a) Every hospital or major medical insurance policy delivered or issued for deliverance under this subtitle to any person in this State must include benefits for expenses arising from treatment of acute mental illnesses and emotional disorders which in the professional judgment of practitioners are subject to significant improvement through short term therapy. These benefits must be at least equal to the following minimum requirements: (1) with respect to benefits for confinement as an inpatient in a hospital, the period of confinement for which benefits are payable shall be at least thirty (30) days in any calendar year or benefit period; (2) with respect to major medical expense coverage, benefits, after the applicable deductible, for covered expenses arising from all those services, other than inpatient, which are rendered to treat acute mental illness and emotional disorders, shall be at a rate which is not less than [twenty-five] [[25 percent nor more than]] [eighty] 50 percent of the benefits which the policy provides for other types of illness.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1975.

Approved May 15, 1975.

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CHAPTER 846

(Senate Bill 636)

AN ACT concerning

Prince George's County School Board Members -