

Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2001.

Approved May 15, 2001.

CHAPTER 406

(Senate Bill 591)

AN ACT concerning

**Health Insurance - ~~Appealing Denials of Claims for Reimbursement of~~
Claims for Reimbursement for Health Care Services Rendered**

FOR the purpose of clarifying the period of time within which a provider must submit a claim for reimbursement for health care services rendered; requiring an insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization to permit a provider to appeal a certain denial of a claim for reimbursement ~~of for~~ health care services rendered within a certain period of time; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to ~~appealing denials of~~ claims for reimbursement ~~of for~~ health care services rendered under health insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 15-1005

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

Article - Insurance

15-1005.

(a) In this section, "clean claim" means a claim for reimbursement, as defined in regulations adopted by the Commissioner under § 15-1003 of this subtitle.

(b) To the extent consistent with the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1001, et seq., this section applies to an insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization that acts as a third party administrator.

(c) Within 30 days after receipt of a claim for reimbursement from a person entitled to reimbursement under § 15-701(a) of this title or from a hospital or related institution, as those terms are defined in § 19-301 of the Health - General Article, an insurer, nonprofit health service plan, or health maintenance organization shall: