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BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 271
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, after “requiring” insert “, except under certain circumstances,”; and after line 14, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 31–116(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2017 Replacement Volume)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 32, strike “AN” and substitute “EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, AN”.

On page 3, in lines 1 and 4, in each instance, after “THE” insert “COVERED”; in lines 2 and 4, in each instance, strike “SPOUSE”; and after line 6, insert:

“(D) AN ENTITY SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE COVERAGE UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION TO A RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION THAT REQUESTS AND RECEIVES AN EXCLUSION FROM IN VITRO FERTILIZATION COVERAGE UNDER § 15-810(I) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

31–116.

(a) The essential health benefits required under § 1302(a) of the Affordable Care Act:

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(1) shall be the benefits in the State benchmark plan, selected in accordance with this section; and

(2) notwithstanding any other benefits mandated by State law, shall be the benefits required in:

(i) subject to subsection (f) of this section, all individual health benefit plans and health benefit plans offered to small employers, except for grandfathered health plans, as defined in the Affordable Care Act, offered outside the Exchange; and

(ii) subject to § 31-115(c) of this title, all qualified health plans offered in the Exchange.”.