

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1084

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “establishing” in line 3 down through “services” in line 4 and substitute “requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to conduct a certain study and to report the results of its study to certain persons by a certain date; providing for the effective date of this Act”; and strike in their entirety lines 7 through 11, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike beginning with “Laws” in line 13 on page 1 through “OCCUPANCY” in line 3 on page 2 and substitute “Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with the health care industry, shall study the feasibility of altering the target occupancy percentage that is currently used in the Medicaid reimbursement formula for nursing facility services as set forth in the Code of Maryland Regulations. For the purpose of determining amounts payable to nursing facilities for capital, administrative, and other costs not directly attributable to the provision of resident care, the Department shall consider amounts that will more accurately reflect current market costs. The Department shall report on the results of its study and on its recommendation for altering the target occupancy percentage to the Senate Finance Committee, the House Environmental Matters Committee, and in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before December 1, 1998”.