BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 639 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with "requiring" in line 3 down through "claim" in line 6 and substitute "<u>repealing certain provisions of law relating to the payment of certain claims for reimbursement by health maintenance organizations and managed care organizations</u>"; in line 8, after "organizations" insert "<u>and managed care organizations</u>"; in line 9, strike "under health insurance" and substitute "<u>by insurers, nonprofit health service plans, health maintenance organizations</u>, and <u>managed care organizations</u>"; and after line 14, insert:

"BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

<u>Article - Health - General</u> <u>Section 15-102.3(b)</u> <u>Annotated Code of Maryland</u> (1994 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 12, insert:

"<u>15-102.3.</u>

(b) The provisions of [§ 19-712.1 of this article (Prompt payment)] § 15-1005 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE shall apply to managed care organizations in the same manner they apply to health maintenance organizations.".

On page 2, strike beginning with "AN" in line 9 down through "(1)" in line 11; in line 11, strike the brackets; in the same line, strike "WITHIN"; in line 14, in each instance, strike the bracket; in the same line, strike "or" and substitute a comma; in the same line, after "plan" insert "<u>, OR HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION</u>"; in line 15, strike the bracket; and in line 16, strike "WITHIN 2 WEEKS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE CLAIM, SHALL".