HB0071/756089/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

<u>AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 71</u> (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, after "Plan)" insert "<u>and Delegates Benson</u>, Bromwell, Costa, Donoghue, Elliott, Hammen, Hubbard, Jenkins, Kach, Kipke, Krebs, Kullen, McDonough, Montgomery, Morhaim, Nathan-Pulliam, Oaks, Pena-Melnyk, Pendergrass, Reznik, Riley, Tarrant, and V. Turner"; in lines 2 and 3, strike "Appointment of Insurance Producers" and substitute "<u>Training for Insurance</u> <u>Producers</u>"; strike in their entirety lines 4 through 15, inclusive, and substitute:

"FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurance producers who engage in certain activities relating to the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program to receive certain continuing education; authorizing the Board of Directors for the Maryland Health Insurance Plan to adopt regulations that require an insurance producer to receive training about the Program before the insurance producer may market the Program or assist a Medicare beneficiary to enroll in the Program; providing that training received about the Program qualifies as continuing education under certain provisions of law; and generally relating to training for insurance producers about the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program.";

in line 16, strike "adding to" and substitute "<u>repealing and reenacting, with</u> <u>amendments,</u>"; and in line 18, strike "14-515(f)" and substitute "<u>10-116(a)(4) and 14-514(b)</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 24 on page 1 through line 20 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

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"<u>10–116.</u>

(a) (4) (i) To increase the level of education of insurance producers, an insurance producer shall obtain continuing education in the kind or subdivision of insurance for which the insurance producer has received a license.

(ii) Each insurance producer who possesses a license to sell health insurance and who sells long-term care insurance shall receive continuing education that directly relates to long-term care insurance.

(iii) Each insurance producer who possesses a license to sell property and casualty insurance and who sells flood insurance shall receive continuing education that directly relates to flood insurance.

(IV) EACH INSURANCE PRODUCER WHO POSSESSES A LICENSE TO SELL HEALTH INSURANCE AND WHO MARKETS THE SENIOR PRESCRIPTION DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OR ASSISTS A MEDICARE BENEFICIARY TO ENROLL IN THE SENIOR PRESCRIPTION DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SHALL RECEIVE CONTINUING EDUCATION THAT DIRECTLY RELATES TO THE SENIOR PRESCRIPTION DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

<u>14-514.</u>

(b) (1) The Board shall adopt regulations to carry out Part II of this subtitle.

(2) THE BOARD MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT REQUIRE AN INSURANCE PRODUCER TO RECEIVE TRAINING ABOUT THE PROGRAM BEFORE THE INSURANCE PRODUCER MAY MARKET THE PROGRAM OR ASSIST A MEDICARE BENEFICIARY TO ENROLL IN THE PROGRAM. HB0071/756089/1 Amendments to HB 71 Page 3 of 3

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(3) <u>SUBJECT TO § 10-116(D) OF THIS ARTICLE, TRAINING</u> <u>RECEIVED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION QUALIFIES AS</u> <u>CONTINUING EDUCATION UNDER § 10-116(A) OF THIS ARTICLE.</u>".