

HB0438/593928/2

BY: Delegate Braveboy

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 438
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, in line 1, after “Act;” insert “declaring that the provisions of this Act are not severable; making this Act contingent on the passage and ratification of a certain constitutional amendment;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 6, after line 9, insert:

“SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Article 1, § 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, the provisions of this Act are not severable, and if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, no other provision or application of this Act may be given effect.”;

in line 10, strike “5.” and substitute “6.”; and strike beginning with “shall” in line 10 down through “2012” in line 11 and substitute “is contingent on the passage by the General Assembly in 2012 of a constitutional amendment affirming the right of two individuals to marry regardless of the sex of the individuals, and the ratification of that amendment by the voters of the State.”

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions of Section 6 of this Act, this Act shall take effect on the certification of the results of the general election of 2012 indicating that the constitutional amendment, having received a majority of the votes cast at the general election, has been adopted by the people of Maryland”.