

HB0164/406186/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 164
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, after “establishments;” insert “providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 19 through 27, inclusive.

On page 3, after line 27, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Health – General

19-4A-03.

(a) The Department shall adopt regulations that set standards for the care, treatment, health, safety, welfare, and comfort of individuals who receive home health care services through a residential service agency.

(b) The regulations shall provide for the licensing of residential service agencies and the [annual] renewal of licenses **FOR A 3-YEAR TERM.**

(c) The regulations shall require the Secretary to charge fees in a manner which will produce funds sufficient to at least cover the actual direct or indirect costs of the inspection and licensure of residential service agencies under this subtitle.

(Over)

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect July 1, 2014.”;

in line 28, strike “2.” and substitute “4.”; and in the same line, after “That” insert “, except as provided in Section 3 of this Act,”.