

**SB1026/787075/1**

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1026

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Honey – License Exemptions” and substitute “Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Study of Honey-Related Licenses and Permits”; strike beginning with “altering” in line 3 down through “permit” in line 7 and substitute “requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to study whether it is necessary to continue to require a certain license and permit for the sale, manufacturing, and processing of honey and herb mixtures, including flavored honey; requiring the Department to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act”; in line 7, after “to” insert “a study on license and permit requirements for the sale, manufacturing, and processing of”; and strike in their entirety lines 8 through 17, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 19, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows”.

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 20 on page 1 through line 26 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

“(a) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall study whether it is necessary to continue to require:

(1) a license for the sale of honey and herb mixtures, including flavored honey, at a farmer’s market or at a public festival or event; or

(2) an on-farm home processing plant license or permit is necessary for the manufacturing, processing, and sale of honey and herb mixtures, including flavored honey.

(Over)

(b) On or before December 31, 2013, the Department shall report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article.

On page 2, in line 28, strike “October” and substitute “June”; and in the same line, after “2013.” insert “It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of May 31, 2014, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.