HB0396/254337/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

<u>AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 396</u> (Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike "Commission on" and substitute "<u>Department of</u> <u>Disabilities – Study of</u>"; strike beginning with "establishing" in line 4 down through "Commission" in line 9 and substitute "<u>requiring the Department of Disabilities, in</u> <u>cooperation with the National Federation of the Blind</u>,"; in line 10, strike "certain matters" and substitute "<u>accessibility concepts in computer science, information</u> <u>systems, and information technology programs in higher education</u>"; and in the same line, strike "Commission" and substitute "<u>Department</u>".

On page 2, strike beginning with "Commission" in line 1 down through "Education" in line 2 and substitute "<u>study of accessibility concepts in computer</u> <u>science, information systems, and information technology programs in higher</u> <u>education</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 5 on page 2 through line 17 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

"(a) The Department of Disabilities, in cooperation with the National Federation of the Blind, shall study accessibility concepts in computer science, information systems, and information technology programs in higher education.

(b) As part of the study, the Department shall convene a workgroup that consists of:

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(1) provosts, Chief Information Officers, and faculty members in computer science, information systems, and information technology programs in higher education from:

- (i) the University System of Maryland;
- (ii) Morgan State University;
- (iii) St. Mary's College of Maryland;
- (iv) private nonprofit institutions of higher education in the

State; and

- (v) <u>community colleges; and</u>
- (2) members who are:
 - (i) <u>accessibility experts;</u>
 - (ii) web developers; and

(iii) any other individuals with knowledge that would benefit the Department in its study.".

On page 3, in line 18 and on page 4, in line 13 strike "(f)" and "(g)", respectively, and substitute "(c)" and "(d)", respectively.

On page 3, in line 24 and on page 4, in lines 8, 10, 12, 13, and 18, in each instance, strike "Commission" and substitute "<u>Department</u>".

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