

HB0552/103624/1

BY: Delegate O'Donnell

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 552, AS AMENDED
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the bill, in line 11, before “providing” insert “authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner, notwithstanding any other provision of law, to authorize health insurance carriers to renew health benefit plans for certain employers for certain policy years if the carriers comply with certain terms and conditions;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5 of the bill, after line 8, insert:

“SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Maryland Insurance Commissioner may authorize all health insurance carriers to renew health benefit plans for all employers that purchase health benefit plans in the large group insurance market but that, as of January 1, 2016, will be redefined by § 1304(b) of the Affordable Care Act as small employers that must purchase health benefit plans in the small group insurance market, if the carriers comply with the terms and conditions established by the Bulletin on Extended Transition to Affordable Care Act-Compliant Policies issued by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services on March 5, 2014. The authority granted by this Section applies only to policy years beginning on January 1, 2016, through September 30, 2016.”

On page 7 of the Health and Government Operations Committee Amendments (HB0552/206582/1), in line 9 of Amendment No. 6, strike “4.” and substitute “5.”.