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BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 607
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium” and substitute “Joint Committee on Behavioral Health and Opioid Use Disorders”; in line 3, strike “Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium” and substitute “Joint Committee on Behavioral Health and Opioid Use Disorders”; in line 4, strike “composition, cochairs, and staffing of the Consortium” and substitute “membership and cochairs of the Committee”; strike beginning with “prohibiting” in line 4 down through “dates” in line 12 and substitute “specifying the duties and purposes of the Committee”; in line 13, strike “Maryland Opioid Use Disorder Consortium” and substitute “Joint Committee on Behavioral Health and Opioid Use Disorders”; and strike in their entirety lines 14 through 19, inclusive, and substitute:

“BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 2-10A-02

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2014 Replacement Volume)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 through 6, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 22 on page 1 through line 33 on page 6, inclusive, and substitute:

“Article – State Government

2-10A-02.

(Over)

(A) THERE IS A JOINT COMMITTEE ON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND OPIOID USE DISORDERS.

(B) (1) THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF 10 MEMBERS.

(2) OF THE 10 MEMBERS:

(I) 5 SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; AND

(II) 5 SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

(C) THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER WHO APPOINTED THEM.

(D) THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER JOINTLY SHALL APPOINT A SENATOR AND A DELEGATE TO SERVE AS COCHAIRS.

(E) THE COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE OVERSIGHT OVER:

(1) THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM;

(2) STATE AND LOCAL PROGRAMS TO TREAT AND REDUCE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DISORDERS; AND

(3) STATE AND LOCAL PROGRAMS TO TREAT AND REDUCE OPIOID USE DISORDERS.

(F) THE PURPOSES OF THE COMMITTEE ARE TO:

(1) REVIEW THE FINAL REPORT OF THE GOVERNOR'S HEROIN AND OPIOID EMERGENCY TASK FORCE;

(2) REVIEW AND MONITOR THE ACTIVITIES OF THE GOVERNOR'S INTER-AGENCY HEROIN AND OPIOID COORDINATING COUNCIL;

(3) EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF PROGRAMS, POLICIES, AND PRACTICES, INCLUDING:

(i) THE STATE'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEM;

(ii) THE CONTROLLED DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES UNIT IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE;

(iii) THE RAPID RESPONSE TEAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND SCHOOL OF PHARMACY;

(iv) THE STATE OVERDOSE PREVENTION PLAN DEVELOPED IN 2013 AND UPDATED IN 2014, WHICH INCLUDES PRESCRIBER EDUCATION AND DATA ANALYSIS AND THE USE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE VIRTUAL DATA UNIT;

(v) LOCAL OVERDOSE PREVENTION PLANS;

(vi) STRATEGIC PLANNING PRACTICES TO REDUCE PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE IN THE STATE;

(Over)

(VII) THE OVERDOSE PREVENTION MEDIA CAMPAIGN IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION;

(VIII) EFFORTS TO ENHANCE OVERDOSE RESPONSE STATUTORY LAWS, REGULATIONS, AND TRAINING;

(IX) LAWS ESTABLISHING LOCAL OVERDOSE FATALITY REVIEW TEAMS;

(X) PRESCRIBER EDUCATION TRAINING APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING TRAINING HELD STATEWIDE BY MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY, AND THE MARYLAND SOCIETY FOR ADDICTION MEDICINE; AND

(XI) EFFORTS TO EXPAND USE OF THE PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE AS A PUBLIC HEALTH TOOL FOR MONITORING AND RESPONDING TO PRESCRIBING PATTERNS ACROSS THE STATE;

(4) REVIEW THE EXTENT TO WHICH HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS IN THE STATE ARE COMPLYING WITH FEDERAL AND STATE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION PARITY LAWS; AND

(5) IDENTIFY AREAS OF CONCERN AND, AS APPROPRIATE, RECOMMEND CORRECTIVE MEASURES TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.”.