### HB0870/650419/1

#### BY: Environment and Transportation Committee

# <u>AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 870</u> (First Reading File Bill)

#### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike "Washington County" and substitute "<u>Study</u>"; strike beginning with "requiring" in line 3 down through "Assembly;" in line 10 and substitute "<u>requiring the Department of Natural Resources to conduct a study on the feasibility of</u> <u>establishing a program to control the spread of black flies in the State; requiring the</u> <u>study to include consideration of establishing a pilot program to control the spread of</u> <u>black flies in Washington County; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to</u> <u>consult with the Department of Agriculture and the Department of the Environment in</u> <u>conducting the study; requiring the Department of Natural Resources to report certain</u> <u>findings and recommendations to the Governor and certain committees of the General</u> <u>Assembly on or before a certain date;</u>"; and strike in their entirety lines 12 through 17, inclusive.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2

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

On pages 1 through 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 20 on page 1 through line 10 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

"(a) (1) <u>The Department of Natural Resources shall study the feasibility of</u> establishing a program to control the spread of black flies in the State.

(2) <u>The study required under this section shall include consideration of</u> establishing a pilot program to control the spread of black flies in Washington County.

(3) In conducting the study required under this subsection, the Department of Natural Resources shall consult with:

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- (i) the Department of Agriculture; and
- (ii) the Department of the Environment.

(b) On or before December 31, 2016, the Department of Natural Resources shall report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Environment and Transportation Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the findings of the study required under subsection (a) of this section and any recommended policy actions to implement a program to control the spread of black flies in the State, including actions to implement a pilot program to control the spread of black flies in Washington County.".

On page 3, in line 12, strike "October" and substitute "June".