AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 863
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, in line 2, strike “State Board of Nursing” and substitute “Perioperative Care”; and in lines 2 and 3, strike “– Certification and Practice” and substitute “and Reporting”.

On page 2, in line 1, after the semicolon insert “requiring the Maryland Department of Health, in collaboration with the Maryland Health Care Commission, the Health Services Cost Review Commission, and stakeholders, to evaluate certain matters relating to surgeries performed in inpatient and outpatient settings and report the Department’s findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date;”; in line 2, after the second semicolon insert “providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act;”; and in line 3, strike “the certification and practice of advanced practice registered nurses” and substitute “perioperative care”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On page 8, after line 7, insert:

“SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The Maryland Department of Health, in collaboration with the Maryland Health Care Commission, the Health Services Cost Review Commission, and stakeholders, shall evaluate:

(1) the volume of patients receiving surgical care in an outpatient setting;”
(2) patient acuity for surgical care in inpatient settings compared to outpatient settings;

(3) the clinical status of patients receiving surgical care in inpatient settings compared to outpatient settings;

(4) the complexity of surgical cases treated in inpatient settings compared to outpatient settings;

(5) patient safety guidelines for safe surgical practice in inpatient and outpatient settings, including guidelines related to:

   (i) patient health;

   (ii) the complexity of the surgery;

   (iii) critical backup equipment; and

   (iv) critical backup from medical professionals; and

(6) mechanisms in place for the ongoing evaluation, reporting, and review of critical surgical incidents that occur in inpatient and outpatient settings.

(b) On or before June 1, 2020, the Department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article.”;

in line 8, strike “3.” and substitute “4.”; in line 10, strike “4.” and substitute “5.”; and in line 11, after the period insert “Section 3 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of September 30, 2020, Section 3 of this Act, with no further
action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect."