SB1098/989230/1

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1098

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "and Young" and substitute ", Young, Conway, Ferguson, and McFadden"; in line 7, after "lien;" insert "requiring the Baltimore City Department of Public Works to report to the members of the Baltimore City delegation to the General Assembly on or before a certain date on certain matters;"; and in the same line, after "changes;" insert "providing for the termination of this Act;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 23, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before October 1, 2019, the Baltimore City Department of Public Works shall report to the members of the Baltimore City delegation to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on:

- (1) specific outreach and education efforts made to houses of worship regarding payment plans, emergency assistance, and other assistance programs for delinquent water bills;
- (2) the administrative review process by which a customer may file a claim for the review of or in order to dispute the customer's bill;
- (3) the retention by the Department of any outside professional entity to conduct a review of the Department's customer service and bill dispute resolution processes; and

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(4) <u>alternative collection methods implemented after this Act takes</u> <u>effect.</u>";

in line 24, strike "2." and substitute "3."; and in line 25, after "2018." insert "It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and 3 months and, at the end of December 31, 2020, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.".