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BY: Judicial Proceedings Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 29

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “Life–Threatening” in line 2 down through “Law)” in line 4 and substitute “Workgroup on Criminal and Gross Negligence”; strike beginning with “prohibiting” in line 5 down through “vessel” in line 9 and substitute “establishing the Workgroup on Criminal and Gross Negligence; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; prohibiting a member of the Workgroup from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Workgroup on Criminal and Gross Negligence”; and strike in their entirety lines 10 through 14, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 16, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows”.

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 17 on page 1 through line 20 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

“(a) There is a Workgroup on Criminal and Gross Negligence.

(b) The Workgroup consists of the following members:

(1) two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2) two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(3) the Attorney General, or the Attorney General’s designee;

(4) the Public Defender, or the Public Defender’s designee;

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(5) the President of the Maryland State’s Attorneys’ Association, or the President’s designee;

(6) a representative of the University of Baltimore School of Law, appointed by the Dean of the school;

(7) a representative of the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, appointed by the Dean of the school;

(8) a representative of the Maryland Motor Truck Association, appointed by the President of the association; and

(9) a representative of Bike Maryland, appointed by the Bike Maryland board of directors.

(c) The Workgroup shall designate the chair of the Workgroup.

(d) The Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Workgroup.

(e) A member of the Workgroup:

(1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Workgroup; but

(2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

(f) The Workgroup shall study and make legislative recommendations for clarifying the terms “gross negligence” and “criminal negligence” as referenced in § 2–209 and § 2–210 of the Criminal Law Article, respectively.

(g) On or before January 5, 2021, the Workgroup shall report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2020. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30,

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2021, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.