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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 424

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, after "challenges;" insert "<u>requiring the Board to study</u> certain potential effects before setting a new upper payment limit;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, after line 11, insert:

- "(C) BEFORE SETTING A NEW UPPER PAYMENT LIMIT, THE BOARD SHALL CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE POTENTIAL EFFECTS OF THE UPPER PAYMENT LIMIT ON THE STATE BIOTECHNIC INDUSTRY, INCLUDING THE IMPACT ON:
 - (1) PHARMACEUTICAL INVESTMENT IN THE STATE;
 - (2) BIOTECHNIC INDUSTRY JOB GROWTH;
- (3) BIOTECHNIC-RELATED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FUNDING; AND
- (4) CLINICAL TRIALS AND DRUG DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIPS."; and in lines 12 and 23, strike "(C)" and "(d)", respectively, and substitute "(D)" and "(E)", respectively.

On page 7, in line 10, strike "§ 21-2C-13(D)" and substitute "§ 21-2C-13(E)".