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HSS	10	23	Reduces for fiscal 2021 only the mandated rate increase from 4% to 2% for community service providers in the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA).	The fiscal 2021 budget includes contingent reductions totaling \$13,253,768 in general funds, \$70,130 in special funds, and \$11,825,575 in federal funds related to this item.	Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	10-DLS alt		Modify the provision to provide for fiscal 2021 only a 4% provider rate increase on January 1, 2021, rather than a 2% provider rate increase on July 1, 2020. This provision provides the same funding in fiscal 2022 and beyond as current law.	The fiscal 2021 budget includes contingent reductions totaling \$13,253,768 in general funds, \$70,130 in special funds, and \$11,825,565 in federal funds related to the provision as introduced. This action results in the same level of reductions in fiscal 2021.	Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	11	23	Reduces for fiscal 2021 only the mandated rate increase from 4% to 2% for behavioral health providers in the Behavioral Health Administration (BHA).	The fiscal 2021 budget includes contingent reductions totaling \$11,101,712 in general funds and \$13,021,511 in federal funds related to this item.	Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	11-DLS alt		Modify the provision to provide for fiscal 2021 only a 4% provider rate increase on January 1, 2021, rather than a 2% provider rate increase on July 1, 2020. This provision provides the same funding in fiscal 2022 and beyond as current law.	The fiscal 2021 budget includes contingent reductions totaling \$11,101,712 in general funds and \$13,021,511 in federal funds related to the provision as introduced. This action results in the same level of reductions in fiscal 2021.	Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	12	23-24	Reduces for fiscal 2021 only the mandated rate increase for various Medicaid service providers from 4% to 2%.	The fiscal 2021 budget includes contingent reductions totaling \$15,106,204 in general funds and \$31,432,061 in federal funds related to this item.	Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	12-DLS alt		Modify the provision to provide for fiscal 2021 only a 4% provider rate increase on January 1, 2021, rather than a 2% provider rate increase on July 1, 2020. This provision provides the same funding in fiscal 2022 and beyond as current law.	The fiscal 2021 budget includes contingent reductions totaling \$15,106,204 in general funds and \$31,432,061 in federal funds related to the provision as introduced. This action results in the same level of reductions in fiscal 2021.	Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	13	27-28, 29-30	Alters the use of the Carefirst premium tax exemption beginning in fiscal 2021 making the distribution of \$8 million to the Community Health Resources Commission (CHRC) a cap rather than a floor and making the distribution of \$14 million to the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program (SPDAP) a floor rather than a cap.		Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	13-DLS alt		Delays until fiscal 2022 the provision that alters the use of the Carefirst premium tax exemption to make the distribution a cap rather than a floor for CHRC and make the distribution to SPDAP a floor rather than a cap.	This action allows for a \$1 million general fund reduction for the Local Health Improvement Coalitions because it can be funded by CHRC instead.	Reject.	Concur with First House.

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HSS	15	30-31	Reduces the mandate for the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange (MHBE) from \$35 million to \$32 million beginning in fiscal 2021.	The fiscal 2021 budget includes a special fund contingent reduction of \$3 million related to this item. As introduced, this action results in \$3 million of revenue for the general fund. The special fund contingent reduction was modified to \$3.5 million to reflect the action in the Second House.	Modify - Reduce the mandate to \$32 million in fiscal 2021 only.	Modify - Reduce the mandate to \$31.5 million permanently beginning in fiscal 2021.
HSS	15-DLS alt		Reduces mandate for MHBE to \$31 million rather than \$32 million in the provision as introduced.	This action results in additional \$1 million of general fund revenue.	Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	24	47-48	Alters the phase-down of the Medicaid Hospital Deficit Assessment for fiscal 2021 and 2022 to reduce the phase down in fiscal 2021 (from \$25 million to \$15 million) and increases the phase down in fiscal 2022 to provide the same total decrease between the two years (\$50 million). The fiscal 2021 Medicaid Hospital Deficit Assessment would be \$294,825,000 rather than \$284,825,000.	As introduced, the fiscal 2021 budget includes a contingent general fund reduction of \$10 million related to this item. The general fund contingent reduction was modified to \$20 million to reflect the Second House action.	Adopt.	Modify - Set the fiscal 2021 Medicaid Deficit Assessment at \$304,825,000, which is \$5 million lower than the fiscal 2020 level. The fiscal 2022 deficit assessment is unchanged to provide the same total reduction between the two years as the provision as introduced.
HSS	24-DLS alt		Increase the Medicaid Deficit Assessment permanently to the fiscal 2020 level of \$309,825,000, rather than reducing it to \$294,825,000 in fiscal 2021 and lower in the out-years.	This action allows for a \$25 million general fund reduction in Medicaid rather a \$10 million reduction. General fund savings increase to \$50 million in fiscal 2022 and grow by \$25 million in each subsequent year.	Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	26	48	Limits the increase in rates for providers who have rates set by the Interagency Rates Committee to 2% over the fiscal 2020 rates in fiscal 2021.		Adopt.	Concur with First House.
HSS	27	49	Authorizes for fiscal 2021 only the use of \$400,000 from the Board of Physicians Fund balance for the Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Physicians and Physicians Assistants.	The fiscal 2021 budget includes a contingent special fund appropriation of \$400,000 in the Maryland Higher Education Commission related to this item.	Adopt.	Concur with First House.
HSS	28	49	Authorizes a transfer of \$199,517 from the Board of Physicians Fund balance to the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) Office of the Secretary in fiscal 2021.		Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	28-DLS alt		Requires \$199,517 from the Maryland Board of Physicians Fund to be transferred to Medicaid rather than MDH Office of the Secretary.	This action allows for a reduction of the same amount in Medicaid.	Reject.	Concur with First House.

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HSS	108-DLS add'l	50	Requires a transfer of \$1.0 million in both fiscal 2021 and 2022 from the Maryland Board of Physicians Fund to support the Maryland Primary Care Program (MDPCP).	This action allows for a reduction of the same amount in general funds in MDH Public Health Administration. Language was added to the budget to reduce the general fund appropriation for MDPCP contingent on this provision.	Modify - Require a transfer of \$800,000 in both fiscal 2021 and 2022.	Reject First House.
HSS	108-APP alt		Authorize a transfer of \$1 million from the Maryland Board of Physicians fund balance to the General Fund in fiscal 2021 and prohibit in fiscal 2021 only the Board of Physicians from having licensing fees below the level in effect on March 1, 2020.			Adopt.
HSS	109-DLS add'l	49	Requires a transfer of \$750,000 from the Maryland Board of Pharmacy fund balance in both fiscal 2021 and 2022 to Medicaid for a program to support access to small, rural pharmacies.	This action allows for a general fund reduction of the same amount in Medicaid. Language was added to the budget to reduce the general fund appropriation in Medicaid contingent on this provision.	Adopt.	Concur with First House.
HSS	110-DLS add'l		Reduce fiscal 2020 spending for the MDH DDA due to anticipated federal fund attainment through the Medicaid waiver programs by \$4.1 million.		Reject.	Concur with First House.
HSS	111-DLS add'l	50	Reduce fiscal 2020 spending for the Administrative Services Organization contract in MDH BHA by \$287,500 in general funds and \$287,500 in federal funds due to liquidated damages from the contractor.		Adopt.	Concur with First House.
HSS	112-DLS add'l	8, 28-29, 51	Repeal beginning in fiscal 2022 the distribution of certain premium tax revenues to the Rate Stabilization Fund. This action increases the amount of these revenues that are provided directly to the General Fund.		Adopt.	Concur with First House.
HSS	113-DLS add'l	8, 24-27	Amend the distribution of funding under the HealthChoice value-based purchasing program to include a hedge against future general fund support for the program.		Adopt.	Concur with First House.