BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 573 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike "Health Services Cost Review Commission -"; in the same line, strike "Program" and substitute "<u>Task Force</u>"; strike beginning with "to" in line 3 down through "Commission" in line 8 and substitute "<u>and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to convene a certain Task Force for a certain purpose; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to preventive services"; strike in their entirety lines 9 through 18, inclusive.</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 14, strike "the Laws of Maryland read as follows".

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 15 on page 2 through line 29 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

"(a) The Health Services Cost Review Commission and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall convene a Preventive Services Task Force to:

(1) Study the feasibility and desirability of establishing a broad-based preventive services program for individuals who are likely to generate uncompensated care of an acute or chronic nature if the preventive services are not provided;

(2) Identify the preventive services, including mammography screening, that would most appropriately meet the needs of uninsured individuals based on geographic need variations; and

(3) Identify the most appropriate incentives and funding mechanisms for providing preventive services to uninsured individuals.

(b) The Task Force shall consist of the following twelve members selected by the Secretary

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after receiving input from the various groups represented:

(1) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, or the Secretary's designee;

(2) A Commissioner of the Health Services Cost Review Commission;

(3) A business representative;

(4) A labor representative;

(5) An insurer representative;

(6) Two representatives of consumers without health insurance;

(7) A representative of the American Cancer Society;

(8) A representative of the Legislative Agenda for Women Task Force on Mammography;

(9) A health care practitioner representative;

(10) A local health department representative; and

(11) A hospital representative.

(c) (1) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene shall select a Chairman of the Task Force.

(2) The Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1312 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly by November 1, 1996.".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, in line 31, strike "October" and substitute "July"; and in the same line, after the period insert "It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 1997, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.".