

BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 669

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, after the semicolon insert "declaring the intent of the General Assembly;"; in line 14, after the semicolon insert "requiring the State to provide certain funds to Montgomery County at certain minimum amounts in a certain manner; providing for certain increases in State funding to Montgomery County under certain circumstances; requiring the State to provide payment for State accrued leave for certain employees;"; strike beginning with "transferring" in line 18 down through the semicolon in line 19; and in line 28, after "County" insert ", in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General,".

On page 2, in line 3, after "circumstances;" insert "requiring that certain employees be entitled to reinstatement to State service by a certain date;"; and strike in their entirety lines 14 through 18, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, strike in their entirety lines 3 through 22, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, after line 25, insert:

"(A) IT IS THE INTENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT:

(1) THE PURPOSE OF THIS SECTION IS TO PROVIDE BETTER INTEGRATED, MORE EFFICIENT, AND ACCOUNTABLE HUMAN SERVICES DELIVERY WITHIN MONTGOMERY COUNTY BY THE STATE AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS; AND

(2) IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE COST-NEUTRAL TO BOTH THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND THE STATE OF MARYLAND."

(Over)

in line 26, strike “(A)” and substitute “(B)(1)”; after line 29, insert:

“(2) THE GRANT AGREEMENT PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED IN THE SAME BUDGET CATEGORIES WITHIN THE STATE BUDGET AS APPROPRIATIONS FOR OTHER LOCAL DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

“(3) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, THE PROPORTION OF STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS TO BE PAID IN FISCAL YEAR 1997 TO THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT UNDER THIS SECTION RELATIVE TO THOSE FUNDS PROVIDED BY THE SECRETARY TO ALL LOCAL DEPARTMENTS MAY NOT BE LESS THAN THE PROPORTION OF FUNDS DISBURSED IN FISCAL YEAR 1996 TO THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

“(4) AFTER FISCAL YEAR 1997, THE AMOUNT OF THE GRANT TO MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT SHALL BE PROPORTIONALLY ADJUSTED EACH YEAR TO:

“(I) REFLECT CHANGES IN CASE LOADS, THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN POVERTY, AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT COST FACTORS AGREED TO BY THE PARTIES; AND

“(II) ENSURE THAT THE GRANT IS EQUITABLE IN RELATION TO FUNDS PROVIDED TO ALL LOCAL DEPARTMENTS.”;

in line 30, strike “(B)” and substitute “(C)”; in line 33, after “SHALL” insert a colon; in line 34, before “PROVIDE” insert “(1)”; in the same line, strike “REIMBURSEMENT” and substitute “PAYMENT”; in line 37, after “ARTICLE” insert “; AND

“(2) REQUIRE THAT THE STATE SHALL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF STATE ACCRUED LEAVE”;

and in line 38, strike “(C)” and substitute “(D)”.

On page 6, in lines 5, 7, and 17, strike “(D)”, “(E)”, and “(F)”, respectively, and substitute “(E)”, “(G)”, and “(H)”, respectively; in line 6, after “STATE” insert “AND FEDERAL”; and after

line 6, insert:

“(F) (1) THE ADMINISTRATION OF STATE CHILD WELFARE PROGRAMS BY MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAMS IN OTHER COUNTIES.

“(2) THE UNIT OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY GOVERNMENT THAT ADMINISTERS PROGRAMS UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION IS EXEMPT FROM LICENSING REQUIREMENTS IN THE SAME MANNER AS A LOCAL DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 7, in line 18, strike “COUNTY”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 10, in line 3, strike “In” and substitute “EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SECRETARY AND THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODY, AND IN”; strike in their entirety lines 28 through 32, inclusive; and in line 35, after “enforce” insert “HEALTH AND”.

On page 11, in line 2, after “PROVIDED” insert “BY STATE LAW OR REGULATION”; and in line 5, strike “DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES” and substitute “GOVERNMENT”.

On page 13, strike in their entirety lines 10 and 11; and in lines 25, 32, and 34, strike “(G)”, “(H)”, and “(I)”, respectively, and substitute “(F)”, “(G)”, and “(H)”, respectively.

On page 14, in line 1, strike “(J)” and substitute “(I)”.

On page 16, strike in their entirety lines 4 through 7, inclusive.

(Over)

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 17, in line 10, strike “OFFICER OF STATE GOVERNMENT WHO” and substitute “SECRETARY OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT THAT”.

On page 19, in line 19, after the first “COUNTY” insert “, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,”.

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 22, in line 31, after “annual” insert “, sick,”; in the same line, after the first “employee” insert “in amounts that equal the greater of the State or county balance for each type of leave”; in line 33, strike “a” and substitute “the”; in the same line, strike “of 360 hours” and substitute “allowable State carryover leave in effect on October 1, 1996. The employee shall be entitled to the same amount of military leave allowable under State law”; in line 35, after the period insert “An employee who elects not to be transferred under this Act shall be entitled to be separated from service and granted reduction in force rights in the State system.”; in line 39, after “Act” insert “, including county health benefits that duplicate those offered through the State”; in the same line, after “continue” insert “to receive”; and in line 40, after “and” insert “, with the exception of health benefits,”.

On page 23, after line 6, insert:

“(c) An employee transferred under this Act shall be entitled to reinstatement to State service on or before October 1, 2001. Accumulated sick leave shall be credited to an employee reinstated within that period.”.