

BY: Delegate Redmer

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 859, AS AMENDED
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Strike the Economic Matters Committee Amendments (HB0859/573551/1) in their entirety.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1 of the bill, strike beginning with "requiring" in line 12 down through "screening;" in line 13 and substitute "requiring the Health Services Cost Review Commission to conduct a certain study and submit a certain report regarding the cost of certain medical screening and the need for health maintenance organizations to pay emergency room facilities a certain medical screening fee under certain circumstances; providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act;".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5 of the bill, strike in their entirety lines 3 through 9, inclusive, and substitute:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(1) The Health Services Cost Review Commission shall conduct a study of emergency room services and determine the average cost to an emergency room provider of conducting a medical screening that meets the requirements of the federal Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act; and

(2) On or before December 1, 1996, the Health Services Cost Review Commission shall provide to the House Economic Matters Committee and the Senate Finance Committee its findings regarding the need for health maintenance organizations to pay a standardized screening fee to emergency room facilities for medical screening services rendered in accordance with the federal Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act to individuals whose medical conditions are determined not to be an emergency as defined in § 19-701(d) of the Health - General Article.

(Over)

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 1996.”;

in line 10, strike “3.” and substitute “4.”; in the same line, after “That” insert “, except as provided in Section 3 of this Act.”; and in line 11, strike “1996” and substitute “1997”.