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BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 440

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 4, strike in their entirety lines 23 through 26, inclusive, and substitute:

"(5) "EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES" MEANS:

(I) MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDED PREHOSPITAL TO PREVENT IMMINENT DEATH OR AGGRAVATION OF ILLNESS OR INJURY WHETHER OR NOT TRANSPORT TO A HOSPITAL OR APPROPRIATE FACILITY OCCURS;

(II) TRANSPORT FROM THE SCENE OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY TO A HOSPITAL OR APPROPRIATE FACILITY WHETHER OR NOT MEDICAL SERVICES ARE PROVIDED;

(III) MEDICAL INTERFACILITY TRANSPORT SERVICES TO AN APPROPRIATE FACILITY; OR

 $\underline{\text{(IV)} \, \text{MEDICAL INTERFACILITY CRITICAL CARE TRANSPORT TO AN}} \\ \text{APPROPRIATE FACILITY.}".$

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, in line 31, after "STATE" insert ", UNLESS THE CONTEXT REQUIRES OTHERWISE"; and in line 33, strike "PHYSICIAN LICENSED" and substitute "LICENSED PHYSICIAN".

On page 6, in line 7, strike "TWELVE" and substitute "THIRTEEN".

On page 7, in line 15, strike "(K)" and substitute "(L)"; in line 22, after "(D)" insert "(1)";

and after line 23, insert:

"(2) REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE SHALL BE ADOPTED JOINTLY WITH THE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN QUALITY ASSURANCE.

(3) REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE PRACTICE OF NURSING SHALL BE ADOPTED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE BOARD OF NURSING.".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 7, in line 16, strike "OR" and substitute a comma; in the same line, after "CERTIFYING" insert ", TESTING, OR RETESTING"; in line 17, strike "CURRENT"; in line 27, strike "TWELVE" and substitute "THIRTEEN"; and in line 28, strike "TEN" and substitute "ELEVEN".

On page 8, in lines 1 and 2, strike "REPRESENTATIVE OF" and substitute "PHYSICIAN FROM"; after line 4, insert:

"(6) ONE OF THE APPOINTED MEMBERS SHALL BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL FACULTY OF MARYLAND WITH EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES EXPERIENCE.";

and in lines 5, 7, 8, and 11, strike "(6)", "(7)", "(8)", and "(9)", respectively, and substitute "(7)", "(8)", "(9)", and "(10)", respectively.

On page 11, in lines 8 and 9, in each instance, strike "OR" and substitute a comma; in line 9, after "CERTIFICATE" insert ", A TESTING FEE, OR A RETESTING FEE"; and in line 10, strike "CURRENT".

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 10, after line 8, insert:

"(I) (1) THE EMS BOARD SHALL REFER TO THE BOARD OF NURSING ANY COMPLAINT ABOUT AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDER WHO, IN ADDITION TO BEING LICENSED OR CERTIFIED BY THE EMS BOARD, IS LICENSED AS A REGISTERED NURSE OR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE BY THE BOARD OF NURSING.

(2) THE BOARD OF NURSING MAY INVESTIGATE AND DISCIPLINE A

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REGISTERED NURSE OR A LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION AND FOR A VIOLATION OF TITLE 8 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE.

(3) THE BOARD OF NURSING SHALL CONDUCT ANY HEARING REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 8-317 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE.

(4) THE EMS BOARD SHALL FOLLOW ANY RECOMMENDATION OR ORDER ISSUED BY THE BOARD OF NURSING REGARDING A LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE EMS BOARD TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO ALSO IS LICENSED AS A REGISTERED NURSE OR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE BY THE BOARD OF NURSING.".

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 10, in lines 9 and 28, strike "(I)" and "(J)", respectively, and substitute "(J)" and "(K)", respectively; in line 28, strike "AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1998:"; in line 29, strike "SECTION" and substitute "SUBSECTION"; in lines 31 and 35, in each instance, strike the semicolon and substitute a period; and in line 35, strike "AND".

On page 11, in lines 3 and 27, strike "(K)" and "(L)", respectively, and substitute "(L)" and "(M)", respectively.

On page 12, in line 33, after "PROVIDER" insert "IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 13-516 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE".

On page 13, in line 22, strike "Sections 1, 2, and 4 of" and substitute ", subject to Section 5 of this Act,".