

BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 163

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 18, after "Act;" insert "altering, subject to a certain contingency, a provision relating to decisions on coverage for certain treatment;".

On page 2, after line 2, insert:

"BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 15-121(j)(1)

(1995 Volume and 1996 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter _____ (H.B. 11) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997
and as enacted by Section 1 of this Act)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike beginning with "AN" in line 27 down through "ARRANGEMENT" in line 31 and substitute "ANY OTHER PERSON THAT PROVIDES HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS SUBJECT TO REGULATION BY THE STATE".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 9, after line 4, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Insurance

15-121.

(Over)

(j) (1) [A carrier's coverage decision on an emerging medical or surgical treatment shall be in compliance with § 19-1305.2 of the Health - General Article, when being appealed by an enrollee] A DECISION ON COVERAGE FOR AN EMERGING MEDICAL OR SURGICAL TREATMENT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBTITLE 14 OF THIS TITLE.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997, contingent on the taking effect of Chapter _____ (S.B.739/H.B.823) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997, and if Chapter _____ does not become effective, Section 2 of this Act shall be null and void without the necessity of further action by the General Assembly."

On page 9, in line 5, strike "2." and substitute "4."; and after "That" insert "Section 1 of".