BY: Economic and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 764 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 14, after "panel;" insert "<u>requiring the EMS Board to refer certain</u> <u>complaints regarding certain emergency medical services providers to the State Board of Nursing</u> <u>under certain circumstances;</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, in line 21, after "MEANS" insert a colon; strike beginning with the second "MEDICAL" in line 21 down through the period in line 24 and substitute:

"(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

(IV) MEDICAL INTERFACILITY CRITICAL CARE TRANSPORT TO AN APPROPRIATE FACILITY.".

On page 5, in line 29, after "STATE" insert "<u>UNLESS THE CONTEXT REQUIRES</u> <u>OTHERWISE</u>"; and in line 35, strike "PHYSICIAN"; in the same line, after "LICENSED" insert "<u>PHYSICIAN</u>".

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On page 6, in line 5, strike "TWELVE MEMBER" and substitute "13-MEMBER".

On page 7, in line 12, strike "(K)" and substitute "<u>(L)</u>"; in line 13, strike "OR" and substitute a comma; in the same line, after "CERTIFYING" insert "<u>, TESTING, OR RETESTING</u>"; in line 14, strike "CURRENT"; in line 19, after "(D)" insert "<u>(1)</u>"; after line 20, insert:

"(2) ANY REGULATIONS OF THE EMS BOARD RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE SHALL BE ADOPTED JOINTLY WITH THE BOARD OF PHYSICIAN QUALITY ASSURANCE.

(3) ANY REGULATIONS OF THE EMS BOARD RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF NURSING SHALL BE ADOPTED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE BOARD OF NURSING.";

in line 24, strike "TWELVE" and substitute "<u>13</u>"; in line 25, strike "TEN" and substitute "<u>11</u>"; and in lines 38 and 39, strike "REPRESENTATIVE OF" and substitute "<u>PHYSICIAN APPOINTED</u> <u>BY</u>".

On page 8, after line 2, insert:

"(6) ONE OF THE APPOINTED MEMBERS SHALL BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MEDICAL AND CHIURGICAL FACULTY OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND WHO HAS EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES EXPERIENCE.";

and in lines 3, 5, 6, and 9, strike "(6)", "(7)", "(8)", and "(9)", respectively, and substitute "(7)", "(8)", "(9)", and "(10)", respectively.

On page 10, in line 6, after "(I)" insert:

"(1) THE EMS BOARD SHALL REFER ANY COMPLAINT REGARDING AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROVIDER WHO 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 REGISTERED NURSE OR LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION AND A VIOLATION OF TITLE 8 OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE.

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

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

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in lines 25 and 40, strike "(J)" and "(K)", respectively, and substitute "(K)" and "(L)"; in line 25, strike "AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1998:"; in line 26, strike "SECTION" and substitute "<u>SUBSECTION</u>"; in line 28, strike the semicolon and substitute a period; and in line 32, strike "; AND" and substitute a period.

On page 11, in line 5, in each instance, strike "OR" and substitute a comma; in line 6, after "CERTIFICATE" insert "<u>A TESTING FEE</u>, OR <u>A RETESTING FEE</u>"; in line 7, strike "CURRENT"; and in line 24, strike "(L)" and substitute "<u>(M)</u>".

On page 12, after line 4, insert:

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

On page 13, in lines 5, 7, 10, 14, and 16, strike "2.", "3.", "4.", "5.", and "6.", respectively, and substitute "<u>3.</u>", "<u>4.</u>", "<u>5.</u>", "<u>6.</u>", and "<u>7.</u>", respectively; in line 14, strike "Section 3" and substitute "<u>Sections 2 and 4</u>"; and in line 16, strike "Sections 1, 2, and 4 of" and substitute "<u>subject</u> to Section 6 of this Act,".