BY: Senator Madden

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 722, AS AMENDED (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

Strike the Finance Committee Amendments (SB0722/197358/1) in their entirety.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1 of the bill, in the sponsor line, strike "Senator Madden" and substitute "<u>Senators</u> <u>Madden, Derr, Hafer, Kelley, Roesser, Teitelbaum, and Trotter</u>"; in line 4, strike "implementing or enforcing" and substitute "<u>imposing sanctions under</u>"; and in line 8, after "occurred;" insert "<u>authorizing the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to require certain assisted living</u> programs to notify the Department of problems encountered in implementing certain regulations; requiring the Department to provide certain technical assistance to certain assisted living programs under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to make a certain report to the General <u>Assembly</u>;".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1 of the bill, in lines 21, 29, and 30, in each instance, strike "eight" and substitute "<u>15</u>"; and in line 27, strike "implement or enforce any provision of" and substitute "<u>impose any sanctions under</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, after line 2, insert:

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

(a) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene may require any assisted living program that provides services to 15 or fewer individuals to notify the Department of significant difficulties encountered by the program in implementing the regulations adopted under Chapter 147 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1996; and

(b) Upon receipt of notification under subsection (a) of this section, the Department shall provide to the assisted living program providing the notice technical assistance regarding compliance with the regulations.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before January 1, 1999, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, shall report to the General Assembly regarding the financial impacts on assisted living programs that provide services to 15 or fewer individuals of complying with the regulations adopted under Chapter 147 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1996.";

and in line 3, strike "2." and substitute "<u>4.</u>".