

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 199

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 16, after “circumstances;” insert “providing for the payment for a certain period the entire cost of health insurance premiums for certain employees of the University System of Maryland who are separated from employment under certain circumstances;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, in line 19, after “Article,” insert “or the University System of Maryland,”; in line 20, after “System” insert “or as a result of the elimination of the member’s position in the State budget or by budget amendment or as a result of legislative action reducing the State budget”; in line 21, strike “1998” and substitute “1999”; in line 23, after “inclusive” insert “, if the member’s position is eliminated by the Medical System or in the State budget or by budget amendment or as a result of legislative action reducing the State budget before August 1, 1998 or not later than 30 days after the member is separated from employment and before July 1, 1999, if the member’s position is eliminated by the Medical System or in the State budget or by budget amendment or as a result of legislative action reducing the State budget after July 31, 1998 and before July 1, 1999”; in line 25, strike “1998” and substitute “1999”; in line 27, after “(ii)” insert “or (iii)”; and after line 34, insert:

“(iii) An employee who has timely filed an application in accordance with subsection (2) of this section and who does satisfy the eligibility requirements as of the effective date of retirement specified in the application shall retire on the first day of the month following the month in which the employee files the application.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 9, in line 22, strike “and”; in line 23, after “Act” insert “; and”; and after line 23, insert :

“(v) A list of the positions and the salary and fringe benefits for the positions that are

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eliminated in the State budget or by budget amendment or as a result of legislative action reducing the State budget on or after January 1, 1998 and before September 30, 1998”;

in line 28, after “amendment” insert “or as a result of legislative action reducing the State budget”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 10, in line 20, strike “for those employees” and substitute “:

(1) For those employees of the Medical System, as defined in Section 13-301(k) of the Education Article.”;

in line 22, after “time” insert “on or”; and in the same line, strike the second “1998” and substitute “1999”; in line 28, after “first” insert:

“(2) For those employees who have been separated from employment because their positions have been eliminated in the State budget or by budget amendment or as a result of legislative action reducing the State budget by the University System of Maryland at any time on or after January 1, 1998 and before July 1, 1999, and who do not retire under this Act, the University System of Maryland shall pay the entire cost of health insurance premiums for those employees to continue the health insurance the employees received while employed by the University System of Maryland, for a period of 12 months following the month of termination, or until those former employees are covered by another employer subsidized health insurance plan through another employer, whichever comes first. To the extent that the costs of any health insurance premiums imposed pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph are charged to the University System of Maryland or its institutions, the amount of those costs shall be offset against the reduction in fund appropriations relating to this Act as provided in the State Budget Bill (SB 125), as enacted”; and in line 36, after “System” insert “or the University System of Maryland”.