BY: Economic Matters Committee

<u>AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 40</u>
(First Reading File Bill)

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 1</u>

On page 1, in line 5, after "information;" insert "<u>defining a certain term; eliminating a certain prohibition;</u>".

<u>AMENDMENT NO. 2</u>

On page 2, after line 33, insert:

"<u>(3) "CODING EDITS" MEANS EDITS USED TO DETERMINE THE MOST ACCURATE AND APPROPRIATE CODE OR CODES FOR PAYMENT OF A SERVICE OR GROUP OF SERVICES.</u>";

and in line 34, strike "(3)" and substitute "<u>(4)</u>".

On page 3, strike in their entirety lines 6 through 8, inclusive; in line 22, after "Commission," insert "<u>IN COOPERATION WITH THE MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION,</u>"; in the same line, strike beginning with the colon in line 23 down through "(2)" in line 26; in lines 27 and 28, strike "(I)" and "(II)", respectively, and substitute "<u>(1)</u>" and "<u>(2)</u>", respectively; in line 27, strike "REBUNDLING" and substitute "<u>CODING</u>"; in line 28, after the first "THE" insert "<u>GENERAL</u>"; in the same line, strike "REBUNDLING" and substitute "<u>CODING EDITS IN DESCRIPTIVE TERMS</u>"; and strike beginning with the second "THE" in line 28 down through "PUBLIC" in line 29 and substitute "<u>HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONERS</u>".

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