#### BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

## AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 631 (First Reading File Bill)

#### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after "for" insert "<u>Child and</u>"; in the same line, strike "and After-School Opportunity"; in line 5, after "certain" insert "<u>child and</u>"; strike beginning with "and" in line 5 down through "opportunity" in line 6; in line 7, strike "making the credit refundable under certain circumstances;" and substitute "<u>requiring the Office of the Comptroller to conduct a certain study and present the findings of the study to certain committees of the General Assembly;"; in line 9, after "certain" insert "<u>child and</u>"; strike beginning with "and" in line 9 down through "opportunity" in line 10; and strike in their entirety lines 21 through 25, inclusive.</u>

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 10 through 25, inclusive, and substitute:

# "(2) "FEDERAL CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE CREDIT" MEANS THE CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE CREDIT PROPERLY CLAIMED BY AN INDIVIDUAL FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR UNDER § 21 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.";

in line 26, strike "(5)" and substitute "<u>(3)</u>"; in line 29, strike "\$70,000" and "\$35,000", respectively, and substitute "<u>\$40,000</u>" and "<u>\$20,000</u>", respectively; and strike beginning with the first "OR" in line 33 through "CHILDREN" in line 34.

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 35 on page 2 through line 15 on page 3, inclusive and substitute:

# "(C) <u>SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION , THE CREDIT ALLOWED</u> <u>UNDER THIS SECTION EQUALS THE LESSER OF:</u>

## (1) 25% OF THE FEDERAL CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE CREDIT; OR

(Over)

## (2) THE STATE INCOME TAX FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR.".

On page 3, in lines 17 and 19, in each instance, strike "\$50,000" and substitute " $\underline{\$30,000}$ "; in line 18, strike "5%" and substitute " $\underline{10\%}$ "; in lines 22 and 24, in each instance, strike " $\underline{\$25,000}$ " and substitute " $\underline{\$15,000}$ "; in line 23, strike "5%" and substitute " $\underline{10\%}$ "; strike in their entirety lines 25 through 30, inclusive; and in line 31, strike "(F)" and substitute "(E)".

On page 3 and 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 35 on page 3 through line 3 on page 4, inclusive.

## AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, after line 3, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Office of the Comptroller shall conduct a study to examine the effectiveness of the tax credit program established under this Act in providing tax credits to individuals in need, including a demographic analysis of the individuals receiving the credits, the cost-effectiveness of the credits in reaching State goals, and the appropriateness of the levels of the tax credits. The Office of the Comptroller shall complete and present the findings of its study, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee by December 1, 2001.";

and in line 4, strike "2." and substitute "3.".