BY: Senator Bromwell

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 594 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, after "Act;" insert "<u>requiring the Maryland Insurance Administration, in</u> <u>consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to conduct a certain study on</u> <u>certain potential impacts of this Act and to review certain practices of other states; providing for a delayed effective date;</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 21, insert:

"<u>SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED</u>, That the Maryland Insurance Administration, in consultation with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, shall:

(1) conduct a study on the potential impact of this Act on insurance premiums and access to insurance;

(2) review the practices of other states to determine whether other states allow the boards that license physicians to regulate:

(i) determinations of whether or not a health care service is medically necessary or appropriate; and

(ii) other practices and procedures of health maintenance organizations;

and

(3) report the results of the study and review conducted under this Section to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on or before

(Over)

<u>December 31, 1999.</u>";

in line 22, strike "3." and substitute "<u>4.</u>"; in the same line, after "That" insert "<u>Section 3 of</u>"; and after line 23, insert:

"<u>SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED</u>, That, except as provided in Section 4 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000.".