

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 617

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike in its entirety line 2 and substitute "Task Force to Study the Distribution of State Lottery Revenues"; strike beginning with "requiring" in line 3 down through "State" in line 10, and substitute "establishing the Task Force to Study the Distribution of State Lottery Revenues; providing for the membership and duties of the Task Force; requiring the Governor to appoint the Chair of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to submit a certain report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Department of Budget and Management to provide staff support for the Task Force; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Distribution of State Lottery Revenues"; strike in their entirety lines 11 through 15, inclusive; and in line 17, strike "the Laws of Maryland read as follows".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 18 on page 1 through line 35 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

"(a) There is a Task Force to Study the Distribution of State Lottery Revenues.

(b) The Task Force shall consist of the following members:

(1) 2 members of the Committee on Ways and Means of the Maryland House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(2) 2 members of the Finance Committee of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(3) the Secretary of Budget and Management, or the Secretary's designee;

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- (4) the State Superintendent of Schools, or the State Superintendent's designee;
- (5) the Chairman of the State Lottery Commission, or the Chairman's designee;  
and
- (6) 2 public members, appointed by the Governor.
- (c) The Governor shall designate the Chair of the Task Force.
- (d) The Task Force shall:
  - (1) (i) study the current distribution of State lottery revenues; and
    - (ii) study the feasibility, need, and effect of distributing State lottery revenues for purposes other than the General Fund of the State, including to support public education in the State; and
  - (2) recommend any necessary and feasible changes in the distribution of State lottery revenues.
- (e) On or before December 31, 2000, the Task Force shall submit to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly a report containing the findings and recommendations of the Task Force on the feasibility, need, and effect of distributing revenues from the State Lottery to other purposes.
- (f) The Department of Budget and Management shall provide staff support for the Task Force.
- (g) A member of the Task Force:
  - (1) may not receive compensation; but
  - (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 37, strike "October" and substitute "June"; and in the same line, after "2000." insert "It shall remain effective for a period of 7 months and, at the end of December 31, 2000, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.".