By: **Senator Lawlah** Introduced and read first time: February 4, 2000 Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

HealthChoice - Children's Dental Program - Actuarial Study

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to

4 authorize an independent actuarial study of the certain costs to operate and

5 fund the HealthChoice children's dental program; providing for the termination

6 of this Act; and requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to submit

7 a report of the findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General

8 Assembly.

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9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 10 MARYLAND, That:

(a) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene authorize an independent
actuarial study to analyze the appropriate costs to operate and fund the HealthChoice
children's dental program.

14 (b) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene shall issue a final report on

15 the findings and recommendations of the independent actuarial report to the

16 Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the

17 General Assembly on or before December 1, 2000.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect

19 July 1, 2000. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of

20 December 31, 2000, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act

21 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.