BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 702 (Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 10, in line 37, strike "DEPARTMENT" and substitute "STATE".

On page 11, strike beginning with "<u>PROVIDE</u>" in line 1 down through "<u>SYSTEM</u>" in line 3 and substitute "<u>ASSIST STATES IN IMPROVING HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED</u> <u>SERVICE SYSTEMS</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 12, in line 16, after "2." insert "AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

<u>(a)</u>";

in line 20, strike "<u>350</u>" and substitute "<u>300</u>"; strike beginning with "<u>The</u>" in line 20 down through "<u>2006.</u>" in line 31 and substitute:

"(b) (1) On or before January 1, 2002, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Department of Human Resources shall:

(i) determine the number of individuals residing in nursing homes who would be eligible for services under the waiver;

(ii) determine the number of individuals on medical assistance and residing in the community who would be eligible for services under the waiver;

(iii) <u>develop the means to assess the number of individuals residing in the</u> community who would be eligible for services under the waiver;

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(iv) assess the capacity of the community to provide services to individuals eligible under the waiver; and

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(v) develop a specific timeline for the implementation of further expansions in waiver capacity as appropriate to ensure that eligible individuals have access to services under the waiver.

(2) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Department of Human Resources shall report to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2002, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the plan developed under paragraph (1) of this subsection.".