

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 663

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the top of the page, strike “EMERGENCY BILL”; in line 2, strike “- Maximum Rates”; strike beginning with “prohibiting” in line 3 down through “amount;” in line 7; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 9 down through “facilities;” in line 10; strike beginning with “defining” in line 14 down through “measure” in line 15 and substitute “requiring the Office of the Legislative Auditor in the Department of Legislative Services, in cooperation with certain entities, to conduct a certain analysis and report certain findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date”; strike in their entirety lines 17 through 27, inclusive; and in line 29, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 1 through 38, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, strike in its entirety line 1; after line 26, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The Office of the Legislative Auditor in the Department of Legislative Services, in cooperation with the Department of Budget and Management, the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, and each county, shall conduct an analysis of each contract for telecommunications services for inmate telephone calls that has been entered into by the State, a county, or Baltimore City;

(b) The Department of Budget and Management, the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, Baltimore City, and each county shall provide whatever information the Office of the Legislative Auditor in the Department of Legislative Services requests in order for it to

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complete the analysis required by this Section;

(c) On or before December 1, 2001, the Office of the Legislative Auditor in the Department of Legislative Services shall report its findings and recommendations to the House Environmental Matters Committee, the House Judiciary Committee, and the Senate Finance Committee. The report shall include the following information for each contract for telecommunications services for inmate telephone calls currently held by the State, Baltimore City, or a county:

(1) the method by which the contract was made by the State, Baltimore City, or county;

(2) the type of telephone services provided under the contract;

(3) the telephone service provider or providers awarded the contract;

(4) the total amount of funds paid to the telephone service provider or providers for the contract;

(5) the total amount of commissions that the State, Baltimore City, or county receives from the contract; and

(6) the specific uses for which any commissions paid to the State, Baltimore City, or a county are expended.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, strike beginning with “is” in line 27 down through “enacted.” in line 31 and substitute “shall take effect July 1, 2001.”.