BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 998

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike "- Guaranty Fund"; strike beginning with "altering" in line 4 down through "assessment;" in line 9 and substitute "<u>defining a certain term; requiring a certain joint committee to perform a certain study and report to the House Economic Matters and Senate Finance Committees on or before a certain date;</u>"; and in line 13, strike "25-304 and 25-305" and substitute "25-301 and 25-304".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 18, insert:

"25-301.

- (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) "Administrator" means a person engaged by a workers' compensation self-insurance group to carry out the policies established by the self-insurance group and to provide management of the self-insurance group.
- (C) "INSOLVENT SELF-INSURANCE GROUP" MEANS A SELF-INSURANCE GROUP IN WHICH EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER OF THE GROUP IS UNABLE TO MEET THE MEMBER'S DEBTS AS THEY MATURE IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF BUSINESS, AS DETERMINED BY THE COMMISSIONER.
- [(c)] (D) "Self-insurance agreement" means the partnership arrangement between the members of a self-insurance group that defines the rights, obligations, and liabilities of the members of the self-insurance group.

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- [(d)] (E) (1) "Self-insurance group" means two or more employers organized in accordance with this subtitle.
- (2) <u>"Self-insurance group" does not include a governmental self-insurance group organized under § 9-404 of the Labor and Employment Article."</u>

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 14 on page 2 through line 9 on page 3, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 9, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Workers' Compensation Benefit and Insurance Oversight Committee shall study and make recommendations regarding the payment of claims of an insolvent self-insurance group under Title 25, Subtitle 3 of the Insurance Article. The Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the House Economic Matters Committee and Senate Finance Committee on or before December 1, 2001.";

and in line 10, strike "2." and substitute "3.".