

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 568

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike “Adults” and substitute “Employees”; in line 4, after “contract” insert “with an entity”; in line 5, strike “offer” and substitute “make available”; in the same line, after “through” insert “a”; in the same line, strike “projects” and substitute “project”; in the same line, strike “employer-based health insurance to” and substitute “health insurance through employers for”; in line 6, strike “adults” and substitute “employees”; in line 10, after “Act;” insert “requiring the Foundation to include in the demonstration project a voluntary hospital component for certain purposes; limiting the type of entity that the Foundation may contract with to implement the demonstration project;”; strike beginning with “review” in line 11 down through “laws” in line 13 and substitute “provide the Foundation with certain information”; in line 14, after “Assembly” insert “on the scope and status of the demonstration project, including a certain evaluation”; and in line 16, strike “adults” and substitute “employees”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 6, after “(C)” insert “(1)”; in the same line, strike “THROUGH DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS,” and substitute “SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION,”; in the same line, after “MAY” insert “, THROUGH A DEMONSTRATION PROJECT,”; in line 7, strike “TO OFFER EMPLOYER-BASED HEALTH INSURANCE TO” and substitute “WITH AN ENTITY TO MAKE HEALTH INSURANCE AVAILABLE THROUGH EMPLOYERS FOR”; in line 8, strike “ADULTS.” and substitute “EMPLOYEES.”

(2) UNDER THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT AUTHORIZED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE FOUNDATION MAY CONTRACT ONLY WITH AN ENTITY THAT IS:

(I) AUTHORIZED BY THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO ACT AS AN INSURER, A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION, OR A NONPROFIT

(Over)

HEALTH SERVICE PLAN; AND

(II) IN GOOD STANDING, AS DETERMINED BY THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.”;

in line 10, after “(A)” insert “SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION,”; in line 11, strike “TO PROVIDE” and substitute “WITH AN ENTITY TO MAKE AVAILABLE”; in line 12, strike “EMPLOYER-BASED”; in line 13, strike “COVERAGE TO ANY” and substitute “THROUGH EMPLOYERS TO”; in the same line, strike “ADULT” and substitute “EMPLOYEES”; in line 14, strike “HAS” and substitute “HAVE”; in line 16, strike “IS” and substitute “ARE”; in lines 17 and 18, in each instance, strike “WHO” and substitute “THAT”; after line 21, insert:

“(B) UNDER THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT AUTHORIZED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE FOUNDATION MAY CONTRACT ONLY WITH AN ENTITY THAT IS:

(1) AUTHORIZED BY THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO ACT AS AN INSURER, A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION, OR A NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN; AND

(2) IN GOOD STANDING, AS DETERMINED BY THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.”;

and in line 22, strike “(B)” and substitute “(C)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, strike beginning with the second “THE” in line 30 down through “GENERAL” in line 31 and substitute “THIS”; and after line 34, insert:

“(D) THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE A VOLUNTARY HOSPITAL COMPONENT TO ASSURE THE PROVISION OF ACUTE CARE SERVICES TO THE ENROLLEES IN THE COVERAGE OFFERED.”.

On page 4, in line 1, strike “(C)” and substitute “(E)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, strike in their entirety lines 3 through 9, inclusive, and substitute:

“(F) WITH RESPECT TO THE ENTITY RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING BENEFITS UNDER THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT, THE MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION SHALL PROVIDE TO THE FOUNDATION ANNUALLY:

(1) A COPY OF THE ENTITY’S RISK-BASED CAPITAL LEVELS, AS REPORTED TO THE MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION UNDER TITLE 4, SUBTITLE 3 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE; AND

(2) IF APPLICABLE, A COPY OF ANY FINAL FINANCIAL EXAMINATION REPORT ON THE ENTITY PREPARED BY THE MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION IN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS.”;

and in line 10, strike “(E)” and substitute “(G) (1)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, after line 13, insert:

“(2) THE ANNUAL REPORT REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE AN EVALUATION OF THE IMPACT OF THE DEMONSTRATION PROJECT ON HOSPITAL INPATIENT COSTS AND UNCOMPENSATED CARE.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, in line 15, strike “42 months” and substitute “4 years and 6 months”.