

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 429

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 8, after “Fund;” insert “requiring that certain funds in excess of a certain amount revert to the General Fund;”; and in line 9, after “Fund;” insert “requiring the Department to make certain reports to certain committees of the General Assembly;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, strike beginning with “MARYLAND” in line 9 down through “PROGRAM” in line 10 and substitute “PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT BUDGET UNDER THE HEALTHCHOICE PROGRAM”; in line 10, strike “AWARDS” and substitute “INCENTIVES DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF CARE”; in line 14, after “(3)” insert “EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION,”; and after line 16, insert:

“(4) AT THE END OF EACH FISCAL YEAR, ANY AMOUNT IN EXCESS OF \$3 MILLION SHALL REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUND.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 28, insert:

“SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall report to the House Environmental Matters Committee, the House Ways and Means Committee, the Senate Finance Committee, and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee of the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2003, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the uses of the HealthChoice Performance Incentive Fund.”

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall report to the House Environmental Matters Committee, the House Ways and Means Committee, the Senate Finance Committee, and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee

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of the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, when the amount of money in the HealthChoice Performance Incentive Fund reaches \$2.5 million.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, in line 29, strike “3.” and substitute “5.”.