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House Bill 1242 (Delegate Morhaim)

Environmental Matters

Economic and Environmental Affairs

State Commission on Kidney Disease

This bill alters the composition of the State Commission on Kidney Disease by: (1) replacing one individual from the medical insurance industry with an individual from the Renal Administrators Association; and (2) requiring the Governor to choose his three discretionary appointees from medical specialists or other patient care providers in nephrology or kidney transplants and who do not have any direct ownership in renal dialysis or kidney transplant centers that do business in the State.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Altering the composition of the commission would not affect government finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Background: The State Commission on Kidney Disease is a commission within the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) that assists DHMH with the oversight and the Kidney Disease Program. The Kidney Disease Program is a program in DHMH whose purpose is to provide funding for kidney disease treatment to qualified individuals.

The commission currently has an administrator position that will be redesignated as an executive director position in accordance with the provisions of this bill.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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Commissions), Department of Legislative Services

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