

BY: Environmental Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 533

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 15, after “changes;” insert “providing that this Act may not be construed to prevent certain physician assistants from performing certain medical acts involving general anesthesia under certain circumstances; requiring certain organizations to submit a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 13, after line 3, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not be construed to prevent a physician assistant who, on or before January 1, 2002, was a participant in a board-approved delegation agreement that included delegation of medical acts involving general anesthesia from performing the terms of that agreement or modifications of that agreement or from performing medical acts involving general anesthesia under any future delegation agreement.”

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State Board of Physician Quality Assurance, the Maryland State Board of Nursing, the faculty of the University of Maryland School of Nursing, the Maryland Association of Nurse Anesthetists, the Maryland Society of Anesthesiologists, and the Maryland Academy of Physician Assistants, shall meet in order to discuss a process by which physician assistants can administer general anesthesia. The State Board of Physician Quality Assurance shall report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Environmental Matters Committee on or before April 1, 2003, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the topics discussed and progress made towards resolution of the issues related to the administration of general anesthesia by physician assistants.”;

and in line 4, strike “2.” and substitute “4.”.