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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Joint Committee on Long-Term Care**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Joint Committee on Long-Term Care; providing
4 for the membership and duties of the Committee; requiring the Committee to
5 submit a certain annual report to the General Assembly on or before a certain
6 date; and generally relating to the Joint Committee on Long-Term Care.

7 BY adding to
8 Article - State Government
9 Section 2-10A-08
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article - State Government**

15 2-10A-08.

16 (A) THERE IS A JOINT COMMITTEE ON LONG-TERM CARE.

17 (B) (1) THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF 12 MEMBERS.

18 (2) OF THE 12 MEMBERS:

19 (I) SIX SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE OF MARYLAND
20 APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; AND

21 (II) SIX SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES
22 APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

23 (C) THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF
24 THE PRESIDING OFFICER WHO APPOINTED THEM.

1 (D) THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER SHALL JOINTLY APPOINT A SENATOR
2 AND A DELEGATE EACH TO SERVE AS COCHAIRMEN.

3 (E) THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES SHALL PROVIDE STAFF
4 ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE.

5 (F) THE COMMITTEE SHALL PROVIDE OVERSIGHT AND STUDY, AS NECESSARY,
6 FOR ISSUES RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE, INCLUDING:

7 (1) THE QUALITY AND ACCESS TO LONG-TERM CARE SERVICES;

8 (2) THE QUALITY OF CARE AT FACILITIES PROVIDING LONG-TERM CARE
9 SERVICES;

10 (3) THE AVAILABILITY AND COVERAGE OF LONG-TERM CARE
11 INSURANCE;

12 (4) THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM;

13 (5) THE COSTS OF LONG-TERM CARE; AND

14 (6) ANY OTHER ISSUE RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE IN MARYLAND.

15 (G) THE COMMITTEE SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1 OF EACH YEAR, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246
17 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
19 October 1, 2002.