

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 2

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Busch and Hurson” and substitute “Busch, Hurson, Benson, Boutin, Bromwell, Costa, Donoghue, Elliott, Goldwater, Hammen, Haynes, Hubbard, Mandel, McDonough, Morhaim, Murray, Nathan-Pulliam, Oaks, Pendergrass, Redmer, Rosenberg, Rudolph, Smigiel, V. Turner, and Weldon”; in line 5, strike “and” and substitute “, in consultation with”; in line 6, after “Administration” insert a comma; in the same line, strike “study” and substitute “conduct an analysis of and make recommendations on”; and in line 8, after the semicolon insert “requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission, on or before a certain date, to prepare a report on the methodology used by the Commission in developing the Comprehensive Standard Health Benefit Plan in the small group market and the feasibility of creating a certain Basic Plan in addition to the Standard Plan; requiring the Commission to submit its report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date;”.

On page 2, in line 7, strike “(1)”; in line 8, after “if” insert “:

(1)”;

in line 11, strike the period and substitute “; AND”; and strike beginning with “STANDARD” in line 12 down through “THAT” in line 13 and substitute “CARRIER”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 3, after the first “of” insert “and make recommendations on”; in lines 6 and 7, strike “§ 15-605(c)(7) of the Health - General” and substitute “§ 15-605(c)(1) of the Insurance”; and in line 10, strike “agents, and brokers” and substitute “and insurance producers”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 11, insert:

(Over)

“SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1, 2003, the Maryland Health Care Commission:

(1) shall prepare a report on:

(i) the methodology used by the Commission in developing the Comprehensive Standard Health Benefit Plan in the small group market; and

(ii) the feasibility of creating a Basic Plan in addition to the Standard Plan in the small group market; and

(2) shall submit its report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.”;

and in line 12, strike “3.” and substitute “4.”.