

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 25

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Delegate Hammen” and substitute “Delegates Hammen, Benson, Boutin, Bromwell, Costa, Donoghue, Elliott, Goldwater, Haynes, Hubbard, Hurson, Mandel, McDonough, Morhaim, Murray, Nathan-Pulliam, Oaks, Pendergrass, Rosenberg, Rudolph, Smigiel, V. Turner, and Weldon”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 20, insert:

“(5) The Executive Director of the Maryland Health Care Commission or the Executive Director’s designee;

(6) The Special Secretary for Children, Youth, and Families or the Special Secretary’s designee;”;

in line 21, strike “(5)” and substitute “(7)”; and strike in their entirety lines 23 through 26, inclusive, and substitute:

“(i) Three representatives of carriers offering health care coverage in the commercial market;

(ii) A representative of the business community; and”.

On page 2, in line 3, strike “(6)” and substitute “(8)”; in line 12, after “Maryland” insert “, nominated by the Maryland Psychiatric Society;

(vi) One physician licensed in Maryland, nominated by MedChi;

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(vii) One psychologist licensed in Maryland”;

in the same line, strike “and”; in line 13 strike “(vi)” and substitute “(viii)”;

in the same line, after “Maryland” insert “;

(ix) One representative of the Coalition on Aging and Mental Health;

(x) One representative of Core Service Agencies;

(xi) One representative of the Developmental Disabilities Coalition of Maryland;

(xii) One consumer of mental health services;

(xiii) One representative of NAMI MD;

(xiv) One representative of the Maryland Association of Resources for Families and Youth;

(xv) One representative of the Pro Bono Counseling Project; and

(xvi) One representative of the early childhood mental health community”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 16, after “Administration” insert “and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene”; in line 22, after “shall” insert “study and make recommendations regarding”; strike beginning with “Study” in line 23 down through “the” in line 24 and substitute “Whether any changes should be made to the”; in line 26, strike “and”; and strike in their entirety lines 27 through 31, inclusive, and substitute:

“(2) The differences in the coverage of mental health services among the public mental health system, commercial insurers, and commercial health maintenance organizations;

(3) The structure and effectiveness of the mental health care delivery system in the State;

(4) The wages paid to mental health care workers and the impact of those wages on quality of care; and

(5) The impact of any recommended changes on the cost of health care coverage.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, in line 34, strike “2003” and substitute “2004”.

On page 3, in line 2, after the first “of” insert “1 year and”; and in line 3, strike “2003” and substitute “2004”.