BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 131

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, after "<u>Commission</u>" insert "<u>and Maryland Insurance Administration</u>"; in line 15, after "<u>Commission</u>" insert "<u>and the Maryland Insurance Administration</u>"; in lines 15 and 16, strike "<u>a certain study</u>" and substitute "<u>certain studies</u>"; in lines 16 and 18, in each instance, after "<u>Commission</u>" insert "<u>and the Administration</u>"; and in line 20, strike "<u>a study</u>" and substitute "<u>studies</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 13, after "<u>Commission</u>" insert "<u>and the Maryland Insurance Administration</u>"; in the same line, after "<u>of</u>" insert "<u>the affordability of private health insurance in Maryland.</u>

(b) The Maryland Insurance Administration, in consultation with the Maryland Health Care Commission, shall study";

in line 14, after "<u>requirements</u>" insert "<u>, including rating of health status</u>,"; in the same line, strike the second comma; in line 16, after the semicolon insert "<u>and</u>

- (2) the role of tax-deferred health savings accounts and other models of offering health insurance coverage designed to increase consumer awareness of the cost of health care services.
 - (c) The Maryland Health Care Commission shall study:";

in lines 17, 22, 24, 26, 28, and 31, strike "(2)", "(4)", "(5)", "(6)", "(7)", and "(8)", respectively, and substitute "(1)", "(2)", "(3)", "(4)", "(5)", and "(6)", respectively; strike in their entirety lines 19 through 21, inclusive; in line 27, strike "and patient safety" and substitute ", patient safety, and

wellness"; in line 30, strike "and"; in line 32, after "services" insert "; and

(7) ways to make health insurance more understandable to both employers and consumers";

in line 33, strike "(b)" and substitute "(d)"; in the same line, strike "study" and substitute "studies"; in the same line, strike "subsection (a)" and substitute "subsections (a) through (c)"; and in line 34, strike "Commission" and substitute "Maryland Health Care Commission and the Maryland Insurance Administration".

On page 4, in line 1, strike "(c) The Commission" and substitute "(e) The Maryland Health Care Commission and the Maryland Insurance Administration".