

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 756

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Middleton” and substitute “Senators Middleton, Della, Exum, Gladden, Hafer, Kelley, Klausmeier, Pipkin, and Teitelbaum”; in line 4, strike “requiring” and substitute “prohibiting”; in the same line, strike “to exclude” and substitute “from ending the exclusion of”; in line 6, after “organizations” insert “without certain approval”; strike beginning with “repealing” in line 6 down through “contract” in line 7 and substitute “prohibiting the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene from contracting”; in line 7, after “a” insert “behavioral”; in line 8, after “services” insert “without certain approval”; and strike in their entirety lines 10 through 19, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 21, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows:” and substitute “, without the legislative approval of the General Assembly:”

(a) the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene may not end the exclusion of specialty mental health services from the program requiring Medical Assistance Program recipients to enroll in managed care organizations; and

(b) the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene may not contract with a behavioral managed care organization to provide specialty mental health services.”.

On pages 1 through 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 22 on page 1 through line 21 on page 3, inclusive.