

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 441

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, before “Prescription” insert “Task Force on the Establishment of a”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 3 down through “terms;” in line 22 and substitute “establishing a Task Force on the Establishment of a Prescription Drug Repository Program; providing for the composition, chair, staffing, and duties of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act;”; in line 23, after “to” insert “a Task Force on the Establishment of”; strike in their entirety lines 24 through 28, inclusive; and in line 30, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 through 5, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 1 on page 2 through line 21 on page 5, inclusive, and substitute:

“(a) There is a Task Force on the Establishment of a Prescription Drug Repository Program.

(b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

(1) two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2) two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(3) the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, or the Secretary’s designee;

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(4) the Executive Director of the State Board of Pharmacy, or the Executive Director's designee;

(5) the Executive Director of the Maryland Health Insurance Plan, or the Executive Director's designee; and

(6) the following six members, appointed by the Governor:

(i) one representative of the American Cancer Society;

(ii) one hospital representative;

(iii) one nursing home representative;

(iv) one representative of a community health center;

(v) one pharmacy representative; and

(vi) one representative of the Medbank Program.

(c) The members shall elect a chair from among the members.

(d) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall provide staff for the Task Force.

(e) A member of the Task Force may not receive compensation.

(f) The Task Force shall:

(1) study and make recommendations regarding the establishment of a Prescription Drug Repository Program in the State, including:

(i) types of drugs that may be donated to the Program;

(ii) types of drugs that may not be donated to the Program;

- (iii) who may donate drugs to the Program;
- (iv) entities that may receive drugs for distribution;
- (v) standards and procedures for accepting, storing, and dispensing
donated drugs;
- (vi) eligibility requirements for individuals wishing to receive donated
drugs;
- (vii) standards and procedures for inspecting donated drugs;
- (viii) the appropriate entity to operate the Program;
- (ix) liability issues;
- (x) fees; and
- (xi) any other matter relating to the establishment of a Prescription Drug
Repository Program; and

(2) report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on or before January 1, 2006.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, in line 23, strike “October” and substitute “July”; and in the same line, after the period insert “It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2006, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.