BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 502 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "and Middleton" and substitute "<u>Middleton, Colburn</u>, <u>Harris</u>, and <u>Greenip</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 8, after "Department;" insert "<u>requiring the Foundation and the Department</u> to examine options for easement acquisition and identify options that will enable the Program to <u>succeed</u>;"; in line 9, after "Foundation" insert "<u>and the Department</u>"; in line 10, after "report" insert "<u>, including a certain proposed legislation</u>"; and in the same line, after "date;" insert "<u>providing for a</u> <u>delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act;</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, after line 18, insert:

"(C) THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING SHALL EXAMINE OPTIONS FOR EASEMENT ACQUISITION ON CRITICAL FARMS AND IDENTIFY THOSE THAT WILL ENABLE THE CRITICAL FARMS PROGRAM TO SUCCEED.";

in line 19, strike "(C)" and substitute "(D)"; in line 23, after "Foundation" insert "and the Department of Planning"; in line 26, after "report" insert ", including proposed legislation concerning the funding for the Critical Farms Program,"; in line 28, after "That" insert "Section 1 of"; in line 29, strike "2005" and substitute "2006"; and after line 29, insert:

"<u>SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED</u>, That, except as provided in Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2005.".