

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 690
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and Weldon” and substitute “Weldon, Boteler, Goldwater, Murray, and Nathan-Pulliam”; strike beginning with “Temporary” in line 2 down through “Hearings” in line 3 and substitute “Study on Licensure and Board Membership”; strike beginning with “altering” in line 4 down through “members” in line 12 and substitute “requiring the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, in conjunction with certain other entities, to convene a certain workgroup to study the standards for licensure of nursing home administrator applicants and the effectiveness of the Board in regulating nursing home administrators in the State; requiring the study to include certain items; requiring the workgroup to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date on the findings and recommendations of the workgroup”; in line 13, after “to” insert “a study on licensure of nursing home administrators and Board membership of”; and strike in their entirety lines 14 through 23, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 25, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows:” and substitute “:

(a) The State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, in conjunction with the Health Facilities Association of Maryland, Mid-Atlantic LifeSpan, and any other nursing home provider the Board designates, shall convene a workgroup to study the current standards for licensure of a nursing home administrator applicant and the effectiveness of the Board in regulating nursing home administrators in the State.

(b) The study shall:

(1) review current standards for licensure of a nursing home administrator applicant, including the consideration of work and educational experience in the licensure process;

(Over)

- (2) review the composition of the Board, including quorum requirements; and
- (3) make recommendations for any statutory or regulatory changes:

(i) to the standards for licensure of nursing home administrator applicants that would encourage experienced individuals to become nursing home administrators; and

(ii) to the composition of the Board that would increase the effectiveness of the Board in regulating nursing home administrators in the State.

(c) On or before December 31, 2006, the workgroup shall report its findings and recommendations in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and to the House Health and Government Operations Committee.”.

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 1 on page 2 through line 28 on page 3, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, in line 30, strike “October” and substitute “July”.