

BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1648
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 13, after “Resources” insert “, in consultation with the University of Maryland School of Social Work, child advocacy organizations, and service providers,”; and in line 14, after “a” insert “research-based”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 25, insert:

“(4) determine existing capacity outside the child protective services system to meet the needs of lower risk families and identify services and funding to fill service gaps as part of an effective differential response system;”;

in line 26, strike “(4)” and substitute “(5)”; in the same line, after “implement” insert “and evaluate”; and in line 27, after “State” insert “, including consideration of:”

(i) workload standards;

(ii) multidisciplinary responses relating to mental health, substance abuse assessment and treatment, domestic violence services, and services for abused and neglected children;

(iii) the role of law enforcement;

(iv) staff training requirements and cost; and

(v) implications for reporting statistics on child abuse and neglect”.

On page 2, in line 1, strike “(5)” and substitute “(6)”.