SB0210/687873/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 210

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "and Stone" and substitute "Stone, Middleton, Exum, and Glassman"; in line 9, after "conflicts;" insert "requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to seek certain reimbursement for certain services; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to separately account for certain funds;"; and in line 15, after "dates;" insert "requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with the Board, to submit a certain application for certain funds on or before a certain date; requiring the Department to submit a copy of the application to the Maryland Congressional Delegation and certain committees of the General Assembly;".

On page 3, in line 19, strike "ARMED FORCES" and substitute "UNIFORMED SERVICES"; after line 17, insert:

"(I) "UNIFORMED SERVICES" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN 10 U.S.C. § 101.";

in line 18, strike "(I)" and substitute "(J)"; and in line 30, strike "(J)" and substitute "(K)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, after line 26, insert:

"(3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SEEK REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS OR OTHER RESPONSIBLE PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PAYER FOR ANY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION.

(D) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ACCOUNT SEPARATELY FOR FUNDS USED TO PROVIDE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES TO VETERANS UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION."

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 6, after line 11, insert:

"(7) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS; AND";

and in line 12, strike "(7)" and substitute "(8)".

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 7, after line 32, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

- (a) On or before September 1, 2008, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in conjunction with the Veterans Behavioral Health Advisory Board established under Section 1 of this Act, shall submit a grant application to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or other appropriate federal agency for a minimum of \$3,500,000 in federal funds in fiscal year 2010 and a minimum of \$3,500,000 in federal funds in fiscal year 2011 to support the provision of behavioral health services to veterans under this Act.
- (b) The Department shall send a copy of the application required under this section to the members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the Senate Finance Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.".

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On page 8, in line 1, strike "2." and substitute "3.".