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BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1522

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, strike "Office of the Comptroller" and substitute "Department of Health and Mental Hygiene"; strike beginning with "providing" in line 8 down through "Account;" in line 10; and in line 15, after "Fund;" insert "declaring the intent of the General Assembly about the expenditure of certain funds;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, in line 26, strike "OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER" and substitute "DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 6, in line 4, strike the brackets; and strike beginning with "ACCRUE" in line 4 down through "ACCOUNT" in line 5.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 7, after line 33, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that, until fee-for-service health care provider rates paid by the Medical Assistance Program and managed care organization health care provider rates are at a level of rates paid to similar providers for the same services under the federal Medicare fee schedule, funds in the Medical Assistance Program Account established under Title 19, Subtitle 8 of the Insurance Article should be used only to maintain and increase health care provider rates under the Program and not to otherwise generally support the operations of the Program."

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