

**SB0974/544564/1**

BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 974  
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 21, after “purposes;” insert “requiring the Commission to report certain information to the Governor and General Assembly on or before a certain date each year;”; and in line 24, after “Plan;” insert “requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to report certain information to the Governor and General Assembly on or before a certain date each year;”.

On page 2, in line 3, after “the” insert “Health Services Cost Review”; and after line 36, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 15-12A-01(a) and (f)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 7 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the 2007  
Special Session)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 15-12A-05

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 7 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the 2007  
Special Session)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

(Over)

On page 4, after line 34, insert:

**“(E) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 EACH YEAR, THE COMMISSION SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:**

**(1) THE AGGREGATE REDUCTION IN HOSPITAL UNCOMPENSATED CARE REALIZED FROM THE EXPANSION OF HEALTH CARE COVERAGE UNDER CHAPTER 7 OF THE ACTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE 2007 SPECIAL SESSION; AND**

**(2) THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WHO ENROLLED IN MEDICAID AS A RESULT OF THE CHANGE IN ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS UNDER § 15-103(A)(2)(IX) AND (X) OF THE HEALTH – GENERAL ARTICLE AND THE EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE UTILIZATION OF HOSPITAL INPATIENT CARE BY THESE INDIVIDUALS.”.**

On page 6, after line 19, insert:

“15-12A-01.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(f) “Program” means the Small Employer Health Benefit Plan Premium Subsidy Program.

15-12A-05.

On or before January 1, 2009, and annually thereafter, the Commission shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on:

(1) the implementation of the Program; AND

(2) THE UNCOMPENSATED CARE SAVINGS DERIVED FROM THE PROGRAM AND THE METHODOLOGY USED BY THE COMMISSION TO TRACK THE UNCOMPENSATED CARE SAVINGS.”