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BY: Economic Matters Committee

<u>AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 859</u> (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 9, after "Act;" insert "<u>authorizing the Maryland Insurance</u> <u>Commissioner to require an insurer to provide coverage for additional living expenses</u> <u>under a certain policy for up to a certain time under certain circumstances;</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 24, strike the colon.

On page 2, in line 1, strike "(1)"; strike beginning with "STATED" in line 1 down through "PROPERTY" in line 4 and substitute "<u>LESS THAN 12 MONTHS</u>"; strike beginning with "STATED" in line 8 down through "PROPERTY" in line 10 and substitute "<u>LESS THAN 12 MONTHS</u>"; after line 11, insert:

"(C) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE COMMISSIONER MAY REQUIRE AN INSURER TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR ADDITIONAL LIVING EXPENSES UNDER A POLICY OF HOMEOWNER'S, FIRE, FARMOWNER'S, OR DWELLING INSURANCE FOR UP TO 24 MONTHS IF THE COMMISSIONER FINDS THAT COVERED PROPERTY REMAINS UNINHABITABLE DUE TO DELAYS IN REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT CAUSED:

(1) BY THE INSURER; OR

(2) BY FACTORS BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE INSURED.";

and in line 12, strike "(C)" and substitute "(D)".