HB0071/116585/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 71

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, after "Fund" insert ", under certain circumstances,"; in line 5, after "Fund;" insert "requiring the State Treasurer, under certain circumstances, to pay certain investment earnings into the General Fund of the State; making a conforming change;"; and after line 7, insert:

"BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

<u>Article – Health Occupations</u>

Section 7-4A-03

<u>Annotated Code of Maryland</u>

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 24, insert:

"Article – Health Occupations

7-4A-03.

- (a) There is a Family Security Trust Fund.
- (b) The Board shall:
 - (1) Administer the Fund; and
- (2) Over a reasonable period of time, build the Fund to a level of [at least] \$1,000,000 and thereafter maintain the Fund at that level.

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- (c) The Fund is a special, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to § 7–302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.
- (d) (1) The Board shall deposit all money collected to the credit of the Fund with the State Treasurer for placement into a special account.
- (2) (i) The State Treasurer may invest or reinvest money in the Fund in the same manner as money in the State Retirement and Pension System.
 - (ii) The investment earnings shall be:
- 1. [Credited] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH

 (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, CREDITED to the Fund; and
- <u>2.</u> <u>Available for the same purposes as the money</u> deposited into the Fund.
- (3) If the level of the Fund exceeds \$1,000,000, the State Treasurer shall pay the investment earnings of the Fund into the General Fund of the State.
 - (e) The Fund is not liable for any other expenses or obligations of the Board.
- (f) (1) Accounting and financial reports related to the Fund shall be publicly available in a timely manner.
- (2) The Legislative Auditor shall audit the accounts and transactions of the Fund as provided in § 2–1220 of the State Government Article.
- (g) (1) The Board may retain the services of appropriate experts or service providers to advise about, or administer, the Fund.

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- (2) The costs of the services described in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be paid out of the Fund.
- (h) The Board shall adopt regulations for the administration and claims procedures of the Fund.".

On page 2, in line 12, after "FUND" insert ", SUBJECT TO § 7-4A-03D OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE".