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BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 977

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "Senator Pipkin" and substitute "Senators Pipkin, Astle, Glassman, Kittleman, Klausmeier, and Middleton"; in line 11, strike "report" and substitute "submit certain reports of"; and in line 12, strike "a certain date" and substitute "certain dates".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 29, strike "and"; and in line 30, after "industry" insert "; and

(v) one representative from a federally qualified health center from the Eastern Shore, Southern Maryland, or Western Maryland".

On page 3, in line 4, strike "Department of Health and Mental Hygiene" and substitute "Maryland Health Care Commission"; after line 22, insert:

"(v) the adequacy of health care services for persons with disabilities and the homeless;";

in lines 23 and 26, strike "(v)" and "(vi)", respectively, and substitute "(vi)" and "(vii)", respectively; in line 25, strike "and"; after line 27, insert:

"(viii) the state of preparedness of rural communities for implementing the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; and";

in line 29, after "(g)" insert "(1)"; in the same line, strike "report its" and substitute "submit an interim report of its preliminary"; and after line 32, insert:

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"(2) On or before December 1, 2014, the Task Force shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.".

On page 4, in line 2, after "year" insert "and 6 months"; and in the same line, strike "June 30" and substitute "December 31".