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BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1696
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, after “Disabilities” insert “and Report on Home– and Community–Based Services”; in line 11, after the semicolon insert “requiring the Maryland Department of Health to compare certain rates of reimbursement with certain costs, review certain requirements, make a certain determination, and consult with certain entities in making a certain determination; requiring the Department to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly on or before a certain date;”; and in line 13, after “Disabilities” insert “and a report on home– and community–based services”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike beginning with line 14 on page 1 through line 6 on page 2, inclusive.

On page 4, after line 13, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The Maryland Department of Health shall:

(1) for home– and community–based services provided under Program M00Q01.03 Medical Care Provider Reimbursements – Medical Care Programs Administration or the Rare and Expensive Case Management Program:

(i) compare the rate of reimbursement with the actual cost to providers, to the extent information is publicly available, for:

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1. providing care to individuals approved for direct care services;

2. coordinating care services; and

3. providing any other services; and

(ii) review:

1. specific services required to be provided;

2. any licensure requirements imposed on entities that provide the home- and community- based services;

3. any requirements imposed by a health occupations board that are specific to individuals providing home- and community-based services; and

4. any other State or local requirements associated with the cost of providing the services in the State;

(2) determine, to the extent information is publicly available, the costs associated with providing service and care under other home- and community-based programs; and

(3) in making the determination under item (2) of this subsection, consult with persons providing the services required under each home- and community-based program, including:

(i) entities providing adult medical day care;

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- (ii) private duty nurses;
- (iii) assisted living providers; and
- (iv) personal care assistance providers.

(b) On or before November 30, 2018, the Maryland Department of Health shall report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article.”;

and in line 14, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.