HB1242/345261/1

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1242 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike "and the Vision for Maryland Program" and substitute "<u>– Reporting</u>"; strike beginning with "each" in line 3 down through "year;" in line 13 and substitute "<u>the State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health to jointly study and assess certain matters; requiring the departments to jointly report on certain matters to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act;"; and strike in their entirety lines 15 through 25, inclusive.</u>

On page 2, in line 2, strike "the Laws of Maryland read as follows".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 through 6, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 3 on page 2 through line 18 on page 6, inclusive, and substitute:

"(a) <u>The State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of</u> <u>Health jointly shall study and assess:</u>

(1) the number of students identified in vision screenings who later receive the recommended eye exam, eyeglasses, or corrective lenses;

(2) the programs that are available for the provision of no- or low-cost eye exams or eyeglasses for children, and whether these programs are adequate to meet the needs of students; and

(3) whether and how parents are made aware of no- or low-cost eye exams and eyeglass programs.

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(b) On or before December 1, 2019, the State Department of Education and the Maryland Department of Health jointly shall report on the matters specified in subsection (a) of this section to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 6, in line 20, after the period insert "<u>It shall remain effective for a period</u> of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2020, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.".