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BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 795

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "Delegate Valderrama" and substitute "Delegates Branch and Glenn"; strike beginning with "Provision" in line 2 down through "Treatment" in line 3 and substitute "Permanent Partial Disability – Baltimore City Deputy Sheriffs"; strike beginning with "requiring" in line 4 down through "law" in line 12 and substitute "providing for enhanced workers' compensation benefits for a Baltimore City deputy sheriff for a compensable permanent partial disability of less than a certain number of weeks; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to workers' compensation benefits for Baltimore City deputy sheriffs"; in line 15, strike "9–660" and substitute "9–628(a)(9) and (10)"; and after line 17, insert:

"BY adding to

Article - Labor and Employment

Section 9–628(a)(11)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2016 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

<u>Article – Labor and Employment</u>

Section 9–628(h) and 9–629

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(2016 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 through 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 21 on page 1 through line 15 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

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"9–628.

- (a) In this section, "public safety employee" means:
- (9) a Baltimore County deputy sheriff, but only when the deputy sheriff sustains an accidental personal injury that arises out of and in the course and scope of performing duties directly related to:
 - (i) courthouse security;
 - (ii) prisoner transportation;
 - (iii) service of warrants;
 - (iv) personnel management; or
 - (v) other administrative duties; [or]
 - (10) a State correctional officer; OR

(11) A BALTIMORE CITY DEPUTY SHERIFF.

(h) If a public safety employee is awarded compensation for less than 75 weeks, the employer or its insurer shall pay the public safety employee compensation at the rate set for an award of compensation for a period greater than or equal to 75 weeks but less than 250 weeks under § 9–629 of this subtitle.

9–629.

If a covered employee is awarded compensation for a period equal to or greater than 75 weeks but less than 250 weeks, the employer or its insurer shall pay the covered employee weekly compensation that equals two—thirds of the average weekly wage of

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the covered employee but does not exceed one-third of the State average weekly wage.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any claims arising from events occurring before the effective date of this Act.".

On page 3, in line 16, strike "2." and substitute "3.".