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BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1098

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, strike "requiring" and substitute "<u>authorizing</u>"; in lines 7 and 8, strike "as soon as practicable but not later than a certain date"; and in line 9, after "businesses;" insert "<u>requiring the Exchange to determine</u>, <u>before applying for a certain waiver of certain provisions of federal law, whether the State needs to apply for a certain waiver to distribute certain tax credit assistance to small businesses to certain employers on a certain basis;".</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 2, after "ANY" insert "FEDERAL"; in the same line, strike "DESIGNATED" and substitute "RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 31–121 OF THIS TITLE"; in lines 2 and 3, strike "STATE-BASED SUBSIDY FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS TAX CREDIT" and substitute "ADMINISTRATION OF SMALL BUSINESS TAX CREDITS"; in line 10, before "AS" insert "(A)"; in the same line, strike "AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE BUT NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 2020, THE" and substitute "THE"; in line 12, strike "SHALL" and substitute "MAY"; in line 14, strike "STATE-BASED TAX CREDIT ASSISTANCE" and substitute "THE FEDERAL SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH CARE TAX CREDIT"; and after line 15, insert:

"(B) BEFORE APPLYING FOR A STATE INNOVATION WAIVER UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE EXCHANGE SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THE STATE NEEDS TO APPLY FOR A STATE INNOVATION WAIVER IN ORDER TO DISTRIBUTE THE FEDERAL SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH CARE TAX CREDIT ON A MONTHLY BASIS TO ELIGIBLE EMPLOYERS ENROLLING IN THE SHOP EXCHANGE."