HB1571/696283/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1571 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "and Williams" and substitute "<u>Williams</u>, <u>Belcastro, Carr, Charles, Chisholm, Hill, Kerr, Krebs, R. Lewis, Morgan, Reilly,</u> <u>Rosenberg, Saab, and Sample–Hughes</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 18, strike "HOSPITAL" and substitute "HEALTH CARE FACILITY".

On page 5, after line 8, insert:

"(2) "ACQUISITION" MEANS:

(I) <u>ANY TRANSFER OF STOCK OR ASSETS THAT RESULTS IN</u> <u>A CHANGE OF THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO CONTROL A HEALTH CARE</u> <u>FACILITY; OR</u>

(II) <u>THE TRANSFER OF ANY STOCK OR OWNERSHIP INTEREST</u> IN A HEALTH CARE FACILITY IN EXCESS OF 25%.

(3) <u>"Closure" means the complete cessation of all</u> <u>services in a health care facility whose rates are set by the</u> <u>Commission.</u>

(4) <u>"Commission" means the State Health Services Cost</u> <u>Review Commission.</u>";

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in line 9, strike "(2)" and substitute "(5)"; in line 10, strike "ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL" and substitute "ENTITY"; after line 11, insert:

"(6) "MERGER" MEANS THE UNION OF TWO OR MORE HOSPITALS BY THE TRANSFER OF ALL THE PROPERTY OF ONE OR MORE OF THE HOSPITALS TO ONE OF THE HOSPITALS THAT CONTINUES TO EXIST.";

in line 12, strike "(3)" and substitute "<u>(7)</u>"; in line 13, strike "AN ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL" and substitute "<u>A HEALTH CARE FACILITY WHOSE RATES ARE SET BY</u> <u>THE COMMISSION</u>"; and in line 14, strike "(4)" and substitute "<u>(8)</u>".

On page 6, in line 28, strike "STATE HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW".

On page 7, in lines 4 and 5, strike "STATE HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW".