HB0544/773322/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

<u>AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 544</u> (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after "aides;" insert "<u>requiring the Department to use the</u> <u>reported information to create an annual report;</u>"; and in line 10, after "19–4A–11(c)" insert "<u>and (d)</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 21, after "**DEPARTMENT**," insert "<u>THE NUMBER OF</u> <u>PERSONAL CARE AIDES CLASSIFIED BY THE RESIDENTIAL SERVICE AGENCY AS:</u>

- (1) <u>EMPLOYEES; AND</u>
- (2) <u>INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS.</u>";

and strike beginning with "THE" in line 21 down through "CLASSIFIED" in line 23.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 1 through 8, inclusive, and substitute:

"(D) (1) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1 EACH YEAR, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL USE THE INFORMATION REPORTED UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION TO CREATE A REPORT CONCERNING:

- (I) MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT RATES;
- (II) THE COST OF DELIVERING SERVICES; AND

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(III) <u>Aggregated employment classifications of</u> <u>INDIVIDUALS WHO PROVIDE PERSONAL CARE.</u>

(2) DATA INCLUDED IN THE REPORT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION:

- (I) MAY ONLY BE IN AGGREGATE; AND
- (II) MAY NOT IDENTIFY A SPECIFIC RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

AGENCY.

(3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT EACH REPORT CREATED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION TO THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND THE HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.".