BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 325
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1
On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and Washington” and substitute “Washington, Bhandari, Chisholm, Hill, Johnson, Kerr, Kipke, Landis, R. Lewis, Pena–Melynky, Pendergrass, Saab, and K. Young”; in line 2, strike “and Local”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 3 down through “invoice;” in line 5; in line 6, strike “the State owes interest on unpaid amounts and”; in the same line, after “on” insert “certain”; in line 7, after “unpaid” insert “procurement contract”; strike beginning with “repealing” in line 7 down through “payments;” in line 8 and substitute “requiring the Department of Legislative Services to submit a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date;”; in line 9, strike “and local governments”; strike in their entirety lines 11 through 15, inclusive; and in line 18, strike “15–103 through 15–105” and substitute “15–104”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2
On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 23 on page 1 through line 4 on page 2, inclusive.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 6 through 11, inclusive; in line 17, strike “15” and substitute “37”; in line 18, strike the brackets; and in the same line, strike “16TH”.

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 22 on page 2 through line 1 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1, 2022, the Department of Legislative Services shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, on:
(1) for each unit of State government:

(i) the number of unit staff whose work responsibilities involve processing procurement contract payments;

(ii) the number of vacancies for positions that would be assigned to process procurement contract payment; and

(iii) for at least the prior 3 fiscal years:

1. the average time for the unit to process a procurement contract payment;

2. the percentage of procurement contract payments that are:

   A. paid within 30 days after the day on which the payment becomes due under the procurement contract;

   B. paid after 30 days but less than 37 days after the day on which the payment becomes due under the procurement contract;

   C. paid after 37 days but less than 45 days after the day on which the payment becomes due under the procurement contract; and

   D. paid 45 days or more after the day on which the payment becomes due under the procurement contract; and

3. the amount of interest paid by the unit for late payments made on procurement contract invoices;

(2) based on the information obtained under item (1) of this section, the fiscal impact to the State of:

(i) reducing the number of days following receipt of an invoice after which the State owes interest on unpaid amounts; and
(ii) reducing the number of days following receipt of an invoice after which interest begins to accrue on unpaid amounts; and

(3) the status of the upgrade of the Comptroller’s online payment processing portal.”;

and strike lines 2 and 3 in their entirety and substitute:

“SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 2023.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022.”.