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BY: Finance Committee

<u>AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 295</u> (First Reading File Bill)

On page 3, in line 26, after "Health" insert "<u>, in coordination with the Maryland</u> <u>Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems</u>,"; in line 27, strike "for mobile integrated health services"; in line 31, strike "2023" and substitute "<u>2024</u>"; and after line 33, insert:

"SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems (MIEMSS) shall study the emergency and nonemergency interfacility transport system for patients enrolled in the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, including the process for responding to referral requests in a timely manner, the adequacy of reimbursement related to costs, and performance standards.

(b) On or before December 31, 2022, MIEMSS shall report its findings and recommendations to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall take effect October 1, 2022. Section 1 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and 9 months and, at the end of June 30, 2025, Section 1 of this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.".

On page 4, in line 1, strike "3." and substitute "<u>5.</u>"; in the same line, after "That" insert "<u>, except as provided in Section 4 of this Act.</u>"; and in line 2, strike "October" and substitute "<u>July</u>".