

HB0702/863228/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 702
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “**Delegate Kerr**” and substitute “**Delegates Kerr, Alston, Bagnall, Bhandari, Chisholm, Cullison, Guzzone, Hill, Hutchinson, S. Johnson, Kaiser, Kipke, R. Lewis, Lopez, Martinez, M. Morgan, Pena-Melnyk, Reilly, Rosenberg, Szeliga, Taveras, White, and Woods**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 20, insert:

“(II) FOR THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING 3-YEAR PERIOD:

1. EVIDENCE THAT FACILITIES CURRENTLY OR PREVIOUSLY OWNED, WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE STATE, BY THE PURCHASER OF THE HEALTH CARE FACILITY MAINTAINED QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND ASSURANCE COMMITTEES THAT MET AT LEAST QUARTERLY;

2. INSPECTION OF CARE REPORTS AND CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS OF FACILITIES CURRENTLY OR PREVIOUSLY OWNED, WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE STATE, BY THE PURCHASER OF THE HEALTH CARE FACILITY;

3. LICENSING AND CERTIFICATION SURVEYS AND CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS OF FACILITIES CURRENTLY OR PREVIOUSLY OWNED, WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE STATE, BY THE PURCHASER OF THE HEALTH CARE FACILITY; AND

4. LAWSUITS OR ARBITRATION FILINGS BY ANY PATIENT OR PATIENT REPRESENTATIVE AGAINST FACILITIES CURRENTLY OR PREVIOUSLY OWNED, WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE STATE, BY THE PURCHASER OF THE HEALTH CARE FACILITY;”;

and in lines 21 and 23, strike “(II)” and “(III)”, respectively, and substitute “(III)” and “(IV)”, respectively.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, after line 16, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with stakeholders, including the Medicaid Administration, the Office of Health Care Quality, nursing home owners, consumer representatives, and representatives of organized labor, shall study and make recommendations regarding the expansion of the certificate of need program over acquisitions of nursing homes.

(b) The study required under subsection (a) of this section shall:

(1) assess the elimination of patient rooms with more than two beds;
and

(2) address any other issues related to acquisitions of nursing homes.

(c) On or before December 1, 2023, the Maryland Health Care Commission shall report the 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.”;

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in line 17, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”; in the same line, after “That” insert “Section 1 of”; and after line 18, insert:

“SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2023.”.