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AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after "Fund;" insert "requiring the Maryland Department of Labor to establish a certain unemployment hotline;".

On page 2, in line 13, after "materials;" insert "<u>requiring the Department to track</u> <u>certain unemployment information;</u>"; and in line 28, after "<u>(l-2)</u>," insert "<u>7-108</u>, 7-109,".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 6, after line 26, insert:

"**7**–**108**.

- (A) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2024, THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR SHALL ESTABLISH A TOLL-FREE RETAIL ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AND RETAIL GAS SUPPLY JOB UNEMPLOYMENT HOTLINE FOR STATE RESIDENTS WHO HAVE LOST THEIR RETAIL ELECTRICITY SUPPLY OR RETAIL GAS SUPPLY EMPLOYMENT IN THE STATE TO:
 - (1) REPORT THE LOSS OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT; AND
 - (2) GET CONNECTED WITH NEW EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES.
- (B) THE COMMISSION SHALL POST A NOTICE OF THE HOTLINE ON ITS WEBSITE, INCLUDING THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR THE HOTLINE.".

On page 42, after line 19, insert:

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"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Public Utilities

7–109.

- (A) THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR SHALL TRACK THE NUMBER OF RESIDENTS IN THE STATE WHO LOST RETAIL ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AND RETAIL GAS SUPPLY EMPLOYMENT IN THE STATE DUE TO THE ENACTMENT OF CHAPTER (S.B. 1)(H.B. 267) OF THE ACTS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 2024.
- (B) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31, 2025, AND EACH JANUARY 31 THEREAFTER THROUGH 2029, THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR SHALL PROVIDE THE INFORMATION TRACKED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION FOR THE PRECEDING YEAR TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.";

and in line 20, strike "2." and substitute "3.".

On page 43, in lines 3 and 28, strike "3." and "4.", respectively, and substitute "4." and "5.", respectively.

On page 44, in lines 6, 16, 18, 22, and 26, strike "<u>5.</u>", "<u>6.</u>", "<u>7.</u>", "<u>8.</u>", and "<u>9.</u>", respectively, and substitute "<u>6.</u>", "<u>7.</u>", "<u>8.</u>", "<u>9.</u>", and "<u>10.</u>", respectively; and in line 27, after "2024." insert "<u>Section 2 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 5 years and, at the end of June 30, 2029, Section 2 of this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.".</u>