HB1053/303222/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1053

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "and McComas" and substitute "McComas, Alston, Bhandari, Chisholm, Guzzone, Hill, Hutchinson, S. Johnson, Kipke, R. Lewis, Lopez, Martinez, M. Morgan, Reilly, Rosenberg, Szeliga, Taveras, White Holland, and Woods"; in line 2, strike "– Study"; strike beginning with "requiring" in line 3 down through "study" in line 4 and substitute "altering"; and after line 6, insert:

"BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

<u>Article – Health Occupations</u>

Section 8–204(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapters 222 and 223 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2023)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 8, strike "Maryland Department of Health shall" and substitute "Laws of Maryland read as follows"; strike in their entirety lines 9 through 20, inclusive; after line 20, insert:

"Article - Health Occupations

8-204.

(d) The Board may:

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- (1) Employ a staff in accordance with the State budget;
- (2) Define the duties of its staff; and
- (3) <u>Employ:</u>
- (i) An executive director [who shall be a registered nurse with a minimum of a master's degree in nursing or the equivalent, in the judgment of the Board, in professional education and administrative experience]; and
- (ii) A deputy director who shall assume the duties and authority of the executive director in the absence of the executive director.";

in line 21, after "That" insert "Section 1 of"; and in line 22, strike "2024" and substitute "2025, the termination date of Section 2 of Chapter 222 and Section 2 of Chapter 223 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2023. If the termination date of Section 2 of Chapter 222 and Section 2 of Chapter 223 is amended, Section 1 of this Act shall take effect on the termination of Section 2 of Chapter 222 and Section 2 of Chapter 223.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions of Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 2024".