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Third Reader

House Bill 461

(Delegate Martinez, *et al.*)

Health and Government Operations

Finance

Health - State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life - Renaming

This bill renames the State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life as the State Advisory Council on Serious Illness Care.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. Renaming the advisory council does not affect State finances or operations.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life was established by Chapter 265 of 2002. The council, which comprises 23 members, must (1) monitor trends in the provision of care to Marylanders with life-limiting illnesses; (2) study the impact of State statutes, regulations, and other aspects of public policy on the provision of end-of-life care; (3) advise the Office of the Attorney General, the Maryland Department of Health, the Maryland Department of Aging, and other State agencies of their activities; (4) advise the General Assembly on relevant legislative proposals; (5) participate in or otherwise promote public and professional educational efforts concerning end-of-life care; and (6) carry out other duties as may be requested by the Governor or the General Assembly.

Additional Information

Recent Prior Introductions: Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

Designated Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Maryland Department of Aging; Office of the Attorney General; Maryland Department of Health; Department of Legislative Services

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