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BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 790
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “**Maryland Department of Health – Workgroup**” and substitute “**Behavioral Health Advisory Council and the Commission on Behavioral Health Care Treatment and Access – Plan**”; in line 4, strike “Maryland Department of Health to convene a” and substitute “Behavioral Health Advisory Council and the Commission on Behavioral Health Care Treatment and Access, through its”; in the same line, after “workgroup” insert “on youth behavioral health, individuals with developmental disabilities, and individuals with complex behavioral health needs, to provide recommendations to”; and in line 6, strike “workgroup” and substitute “plan”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, strike in their entirety lines 10 through 20, inclusive.

On page 2, in lines 1 and 16, strike “(c)” and “(d)”, respectively, and substitute “(a)” and “(c)”, respectively; in line 1, after “The” insert “Behavioral Health Advisory Council and the Commission on Behavioral Health Care Treatment and Access, through its”; in the same line, after “workgroup” insert “on youth behavioral health, individuals with developmental disabilities, and individuals with complex behavioral health needs,”; in the same line, strike “create a plan” and substitute “provide recommendations”; after line 15, insert:

“(b) In performing the duties described in subsection (a) of this section, the Council and Commission, through its workgroup, shall consult with:

(1) behavioral health professionals who work with children and families;

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(2) early childhood mental health specialists;

(3) clinicians who work with children and families;

(4) children with behavioral health issues;

(5) behavioral health advocates;

(6) parents and caregivers with experience navigating the behavioral health system on behalf of children; and

(7) other interested stakeholders.”;

in line 16, strike “December 1, 2025” and substitute “January 1, 2026”; in line 17, strike the first “the” and substitute “its”; in the same line, strike “of the workgroup”; and strike beginning with “It” in line 20 down through “effect.” in line 22.