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BY: Environment and Transportation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1434
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "**Delegate Amprey**" and substitute "**Delegates Amprey, Addison, Behler, Boyce, Foley, Guyton, Healey, Lehman, R. Lewis, Ruth, and Terrasa**"; in line 2, strike "**Food Deserts Workgroup – Establishment**" and substitute "**Maryland Food System Resiliency Council – Healthy Food Priority Area Study**"; in line 3, strike "establishing the Food Deserts Workgroup" and substitute "requiring the Maryland Food System Resiliency Council"; in line 4, strike "solutions to eliminate food deserts in the State" and substitute "strategies to attract and retain supermarket retailers in healthy food priority areas"; and in line 5, strike "Food Deserts Workgroup" and substitute "Maryland Food System Resiliency Council".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 8, after "(a)" insert "In this section, "healthy food priority area" means a predominantly low–income area that has limited access to retail outlets that sell affordable, healthy foods.

(b)   The Maryland Food System Resiliency Council shall:

(1)   conduct an assessment of strategies to attract and retain grocery stores and supermarket retailers in healthy food priority areas, including a review of existing incentives and available financing programs in this State and other states; and

(2)   prepare a report on the Council's findings and recommendations regarding strategies to attract and retain grocery stores in healthy food priority areas.".

On pages 1 through 3, strike beginning with "There" in line 8 on page 1 down through the period in line 9 on page 3.

On page 3, in line 10, strike "(g)" and substitute "(c)"; in the same line, strike "November 1" and substitute "December 31"; and in the same line, strike "Workgroup" and substitute "Council".