

**HB1143/743027/1**

BY: Health Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1143  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “**and Woorman**” and substitute “**Woorman, Bagnall, Cullison, Guzzone, Hill, Hutchinson, S. Johnson, Kaufman, Kipke, M. Morgan, Reilly, Rosenberg, Ross, Szeliga, and Taveras**”; in line 4, after “prohibiting” insert “, for a certain period of time.”; and strike beginning with “authorizing” in line 7 down through “Act” in line 10 and substitute “requiring the Maryland Department of Health to submit a certain report on the usefulness and efficacy of the test and recommendations as to whether it continues to be needed as an autopsy tool”.

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 22 on page 1 through line 5 on page 2, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 4, strike “**(1)**”; and strike in their entirety lines 10 through 14, inclusive.

On page 5, strike in their entirety lines 19 through 28, inclusive.

On page 6, after line 7, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1, 2027, the Maryland Department of Health, in consultation with the Office of the Attorney General and the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, shall report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health Committee, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, on:

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(1) the usefulness and efficacy of the hydrostatic lung test, also known as a lung float test, in determining whether a death was the result of a stillbirth or occurred after a live birth; and

(2) recommendations as to whether the test described in item (1) of this section continues to be needed as an autopsy tool.”;

in line 8, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”; and in line 9, after “2026.” insert “Section 1 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of September 30, 2028, Section 1 of this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.