

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 197
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Hospitals” and substitute “Department of Health and Mental Hygiene”; in the same line, strike “Blood -” and substitute “Blood”; in the same line, after “Donation” insert “- Educational Materials”; strike beginning with “each” in line 3 down through the first “blood” in line 8 and substitute “the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with certain entities, to develop educational materials concerning the donation of umbilical cord blood; requiring certain obstetricians and hospitals to distribute certain educational materials to certain patients”; in line 8, after “the” insert “distribution of educational materials concerning the”; and in line 9, strike “through hospitals”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 19, in each instance, strike the bracket; in the same line, strike “OFFER”; in line 20, in each instance, strike the bracket; and in the same line, strike “THE OPTION OF DONATING”.

On page 2, in line 1, in each instance, strike the bracket; in the same line, strike “ANY”; strike beginning with “THAT” in line 2 down through “BELIEFS” in line 6; in lines 6, 8, 9, and 10, in each instance, strike the bracket; and after line 10, insert:

“(F) (1) THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH OBSTETRICIANS, THE MARYLAND HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION, AND INTERESTED GROUPS, SHALL DEVELOP EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS CONCERNING THE VALUES, USES, AND DONATION OF UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD FOR THE PURPOSES OF PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

“(2) EACH OBSTETRICIAN AND HOSPITAL THAT PROVIDES OBSTETRICAL SERVICES SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION TO PREGNANT PATIENTS.”.