

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1063

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the top of the page, strike “EMERGENCY BILL”; in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Pugh” and substitute “Senators Pugh, Glassman, and Middleton”; in line 2, strike “Emergency Medical Services”; in the same line, after “Committee” insert “on Emergency Medical Services”; in line 3, strike “Emergency Medical Services”; in line 4, after “Committee” insert “on Emergency Medical Services”; in the same line, strike “composition” and substitute “membership”; in line 6, strike “submit a certain”; strike beginning with “making” in line 7 down through “measure;” in line 8; in line 9, strike “Emergency Medical Services”; in the same line, after “Committee” insert “on Emergency Medical Services”; strike beginning with “**IN**” in line 19 down through “**(B)**” in line 21; in line 21, strike “**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**”; and in line 22, after “**COMMITTEE**” insert “**ON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in lines 1, 9, and 16, strike “**(C)**”, “**(E)**”, and “**(F)**”, respectively, and substitute “**(B)**”, “**(C)**”, and “**(D)**”, respectively; strike beginning with “**FOUR**” in line 3 down through “**AND**” in line 4 and substitute “**THREE SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE;**”; strike beginning with “**FOUR**” in line 5 down through “**HOUSE**” in line 6 and substitute “**ONE SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE SENATE BUDGET AND TAXATION COMMITTEE, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE;**”

(III) THREE SHALL BE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE; AND

(Over)

(IV) ONE SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE;

strike lines 7 and 8 in their entirety; in line 10, after “PRESIDENT” insert “OF THE SENATE”; in line 11, after “SPEAKER” insert “OF THE HOUSE”; and in line 17, strike “ASSISTANCE TO” and substitute “FOR”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 18 on page 2 through line 12 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

“(E) THE COMMITTEE SHALL PROVIDE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE STATE.

(F) TO CARRY OUT ITS OVERSIGHT MISSION, THE COMMITTEE SHALL:

(1) MONITOR PROCUREMENT OF MARYLAND STATE POLICE MEDEVAC HELICOPTERS;

(2) (I) REVIEW PROTOCOL CHANGES FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FIELD PROVIDERS; AND

(II) ENSURE THAT TRAINING AND EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO THE PROTOCOL CHANGES ARE ADEQUATE;

(3) REVIEW EFFORTS BY THE MARYLAND INSTITUTE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEMS TO ADDRESS RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EXPERT PANEL ON HELICOPTER UTILIZATION AND PROTOCOLS ASSEMBLED BY THE INSTITUTE IN NOVEMBER 2008;

(4) MONITOR ONGOING SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE MEDEVAC HELICOPTERS, INCLUDING:

(I) COMPLIANCE WITH 14 C.F.R. PART 135 (FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION);

(II) ACCREDITATION BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE ACCREDITATION OF MEDICAL TRANSPORT SYSTEMS;

(III) EQUIPMENT UPGRADES;

(IV) THE PHASE IN OF ADDITIONAL CO-PILOTS TO THE MEDEVAC HELICOPTER FLIGHT CREW; AND

(V) IMPROVEMENTS RECOMMENDED BY THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD, INCLUDING FLIGHT RISK EVALUATION AND FLIGHT FOLLOWING PROCEDURES; AND

(5) REVIEW THE FOLLOWING UPDATES, STUDIES, AND REPORTS REQUESTED IN THE MARCH 2009 REPORT OF THE HOUSE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WORKGROUP:

(I) AN UPDATE FROM THE MARYLAND INSTITUTE OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEMS AND THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE OF THE STUDY REPORTED IN FEBRUARY 2009 OF THE APPROPRIATE NUMBER AND DISTRIBUTION OF MEDEVAC HELICOPTERS AND BASES;

(II) A STUDY FROM THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE OF SERVICE DELIVERY OPTIONS FOR MEDEVAC HELICOPTER MAINTENANCE;

(III) A STUDY AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION, IN COOPERATION WITH THE MARYLAND INSTITUTE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEMS, REGARDING THE CONFIGURATION OF THE STATE'S NETWORK OF TRAUMA AND SPECIALTY REFERRAL CENTERS;

(IV) A REPORT FROM THE MARYLAND INSTITUTE ON EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEMS ON AMBULANCE INFORMATION SYSTEM FEATURES THAT PROMOTE ANALYSIS OF SYSTEM PERFORMANCE; AND

(V) THE ANNUAL REPORT REQUIRED UNDER § 13-509(B)(4) OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE FROM THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD.

(G) IN COOPERATION WITH THE MARYLAND INSTITUTE OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEMS, THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD, THE STATE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL, AND THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE, THE COMMITTEE SHALL:

(1) EXAMINE THE LONG-TERM VIABILITY OF THE MARYLAND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OPERATING FUND; AND

(2) DEVELOP A LONG-TERM FINANCING PLAN FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES.

(H) THE COMMITTEE SHALL REPORT ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR.”.

On page 3, strike beginning with “is” in line 13 down through “enacted” in line 17 and substitute “shall take effect October 1, 2009”; and strike beginning with “from” in line 17 down through “period” in line 18 and substitute “and, at the end of September 30, 2013”.