

**HB0228/976886/1**

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 228, AS AMENDED  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the Health and Government Operations Committee Amendments (HB0228/776480/1), in Amendment No. 1, strike beginning with “establishing” in line 3 down through “Committee;” in line 5.

On page 3 of the Health and Government Operations Committee Amendments, in Amendment No. 1, strike beginning with “providing” in line 27 down through “Committee;” in line 28.

On page 4 of the Health and Government Operations Committee Amendments, in Amendment No. 1, strike beginning with “BY” in line 14 down through “Supplement)” in line 19; and in lines 20 and 21, strike “15-1303(b);”.

On page 3 of the bill, in line 17, before “providing” insert “providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act;”.

On page 4 of the bill, before line 5, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 15-1303(b)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2011 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

(As enacted by Chapter 152 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

(Over)

On pages 6 through 10 of the Health and Government Operations Committee Amendments, in Amendment No. 4, strike beginning with “**SUBTITLE**” in line 2 on page 6 down through “**SATISFACTION.**” in line 7 on page 10.

On page 62 of the Health and Government Operations Committee Amendments, in Amendment No. 19, strike beginning with “**SECTION**” in 8 down through “**2016.**” in line 13.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

In the Health and Government Operations Committee Amendments, strike Amendment No. 7 in its entirety.

On page 42 of the bill, after line 23, insert:

“SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Insurance

15-1303.

(b) (2) A carrier is exempt from the requirement in paragraph (1) of this subsection if:

(i) 1. the reported total aggregate annual earned premium from all individual health benefit plans in the State for the carrier and any other carriers in the same insurance holding company system, as defined in § 7–101 of this article, is less than \$10,000,000; OR

**2. THE ONLY INDIVIDUAL HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS THAT THE CARRIER OFFERS IN THE STATE ARE STUDENT HEALTH PLANS AS DEFINED IN 45 C.F.R. § 147.145;**

(ii) the Commissioner determines that the carrier complies with the procedures established under paragraph (3) of this subsection; and

(iii) when the carrier ceases to meet the requirements for the exemption, the carrier provides to the Commissioner immediate notice and its plan for complying with the requirement in paragraph (1) of this subsection.”;

and in line 24, strike “4.” and substitute “5.”.

On page 43 of the bill, after line 16, insert:

“SECTION 13. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 4 of this Act shall take effect January 1, 2014, the effective date of Section 2 of Chapter 152 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2012. If the effective date of Section 2 of Chapter 152 is amended, Section 4 of this Act shall take effect on the taking effect of Section 2 of Chapter 152.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 43 of the bill, before line 13, insert:

“SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the changes to § 6-101(b) of the Insurance Article, as enacted by Section 2 of this Act, shall remain effective for a period of 5 years and 1 month and, at the end of June 30, 2018, with no further action required by the General Assembly, the changes to § 6-101(b) of the Insurance Article shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 65 of the Health and Government Operations Committee Amendments, in line 21 of Amendment No. 19, strike "10." and substitute "11."; in line 22, strike "11." and substitute "12."; in the same line, strike "12." and substitute "14."; and in lines 22 and 23, strike "10 and 11" and substitute "11, 12, and 13".