

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 776

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “Senator Pugh” and substitute “Senators Pugh, Garagiola, Glassman, Kelley, Kittleman, Klausmeier, Mathias, Middleton, Pipkin, and Ramirez”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike beginning with “Director” in line 1 down through “Network” in line 2 and substitute “Vice President of Telemedicine”; in line 2, strike “Director’s” and substitute “Vice President’s”; in line 12, strike “the medical communities” and substitute “organizations”; and in line 31, strike “licensed”.

On page 3, in line 2, strike “and”; in line 4, after “Board” insert “;

(xiv) two representatives of Federally Qualified Health Centers, including one from a center in a rural area and one from a center in an urban area;

(xv) one representative of the Maryland Chamber of Commerce;
and

(xvi) one representative of the Arc of Maryland”;

in line 19, strike the second “and”; in line 20, after the semicolon insert “and

(v) the types of telehealth services that are resulting, or would result, in cost-effective care and improved outcomes for patients in the Medicaid program.”;

in line 27, strike the second “and”; and in line 28, after the semicolon insert “and

(Over)

(vi) whether the term “telemedicine”, as defined in § 15-139 of the Insurance Article, should be amended to include a reference to a service, known as an “electronic visit” or “e-visit”, that:

1. includes an online medical evaluation and management service;
2. is completed using a HIPAA-compliant online connection and a secured Web site or secured electronic mail address for each patient encounter; and
3. creates a permanent record of each visit;”.

On page 4, in line 20, strike “May 1, 2014” and substitute “December 1, 2013”; in line 23, strike “2014” and substitute “2015”; in line 27, strike “October” and substitute “June”; in the same line, strike “1 year and 8 months” and substitute “3 years”; and in line 28, strike “2015” and substitute “2016”.