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BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1622
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 11, after “terminals;” insert “requiring a certain certification agency, in consultation with the General Assembly and the Office of the Attorney General, to initiate a certain study of the Minority Business Enterprise Program for certain purposes; requiring the final report of the study to be submitted to the Legislative Policy Committee on or before a certain date;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 25, strike “**2028**” and substitute “**2019**”; after line 27, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the agency designated by the Board of Public Works under §14–303(b) of the State Finance and Procurement Article to certify and decertify minority business enterprises, in consultation with the General Assembly and the Office of the Attorney General, shall initiate a study of the Minority Business Enterprise Program to evaluate the Program’s continued compliance with the requirements of the decision of Richmond v. J.A. Croson Co., 488 U.S. 469 (1989) and any subsequent federal or constitutional requirements. In preparation for the study, the State Lottery and Gaming Control Commission shall require video lottery operation license applicants and licensees to provide any information necessary to perform the study. The study shall also evaluate race-neutral programs or other methods that can be used to address the needs of minority investors and minority businesses. The final report on the study shall be submitted to the Legislative Policy Committee on or before December 14, 2018, so that the General Assembly may review the report before the 2019 Session.”;

and in line 28, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.