AN EXPEDITED ACT to:

(1) authorize certain non-merit positions in the Department of Health and Human Services; and

(2) generally amend the law regarding the organization of the Department of Health and Human Services.

By amending

Montgomery County Code
Chapter 2, Administration
Section 2-42A

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following Act:
Sec. 1. Section 2-42A is amended as follows:

2-42A. Functions, powers and duties

(b) [Chief operating officer, direct service divisions, and non-merit] Non-merit positions. The Department has [a chief operating officer and] 5 [direct service divisions] senior level management positions that are non-merit positions. [The position of chief operating officer and head of each of these divisions are non-merit positions.] These positions consist of a chief operating officer; a chief of special needs housing; and 3 direct service division chiefs. In addition, the Health Officer referred to in Section 2-42 serves as the chief of the direct service division for public health services.

Sec. 2. Expedited Effective Date.

The Council declares that this legislation is necessary for the immediate protection of the public interest. This Act takes effect on the date when it becomes law.

Sec. 3. Conforming amendment. Section 2 of Chapter 27, 2000 Laws of Montgomery County, is repealed as follows:

[[Sec. 2. Effective dates and transition.

The Council declares that an emergency exists and that this legislation is necessary for the immediate protection of the public health and safety. This Act takes effect on the date on which it becomes law and expires on December 31, 2004. The direct service division abolished by the expiration of this Act must be the same division established under this Act, or its closest functional equivalent.]]
26 Approved:

27 [Signature]
Steven A. Silverman, President, County Council

28 Approved:

29 [Signature]
Douglas M. Duncan, County Executive

30 This is a correct copy of Council action.

31 [Signature]
Mary K. Edgar, Clerk of the Council