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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2                                   **State Employees - Compensation for Work Performed by Essential**  
3                                   **Employees During Hurricane Floyd**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that essential employees of any principal unit or  
5 independent agency of the Executive Branch of State government who, due to  
6 the weather-related emergency resulting from Hurricane Floyd, were required  
7 to report to work in certain counties on a certain date shall be entitled to receive  
8 certain compensatory time or additional pay for the hours worked during the  
9 weather-related emergency situation; requiring the principal unit or  
10 independent agency that employs an essential employee entitled to  
11 compensatory time or additional pay to calculate the amount of compensatory  
12 time or additional pay earned by the employee and credit the compensatory time  
13 or pay the additional amount to the employee no later than a certain time;  
14 providing for the funding for any payments under this Act; and generally  
15 relating to the compensation of essential State employees in the Executive  
16 Branch of State government.

17       SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
18 MARYLAND, That essential employees of any principal unit or independent agency of  
19 the Executive Branch of State government who, due to the weather-related  
20 emergency resulting from Hurricane Floyd, were required to report to work in Anne  
21 Arundel, Cecil, Harford, or Kent County on September 16, 1999, during the full-day  
22 closing period of 6:00 a.m. to the end of the day shift, shall be entitled to receive  
23 compensatory time or additional pay, as appropriate, under the regulations and  
24 policies concerning work hours and overtime. These employees shall be credited with  
25 two hours of work time for each hour actually worked during the weather-related  
26 emergency situation.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the principal unit or  
2 independent agency that employs an essential employee entitled to compensatory  
3 time or additional pay under Section 1 of this Act shall calculate the amount of  
4 compensatory time or additional pay earned by the employee and credit the  
5 compensatory time or pay the additional amount to the employee no later than 30  
6 days after the effective date of this Act.

7 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That any payment due under  
8 this Act shall be funded from the Catastrophic Event Fund in the State Reserve Fund.  
9 As provided in § 7-324 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, the Governor is  
10 authorized to transfer funds, after notice to and approval by the Legislative Policy  
11 Committee, from the Catastrophic Event Fund to the expenditure accounts of the  
12 appropriate State agencies to fund this Act.

13 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
14 July 1, 2000.