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By: **Senator Simonaire**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Business Regulation – Charitable Organizations – Audit and Review**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the minimum gross income amount at which the registration
4 statement of a charitable organization must include a certain audit; altering the
5 range of gross income amounts for which the registration statement of a charitable
6 organization must include a certain review; making a conforming change; and
7 generally relating to the auditing and review requirements for charitable
8 organizations.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Business Regulation
11 Section 6–402(a) and (c)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article – Business Regulation
16 Section 6–402(b)(7) and (d)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
20 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

21 **Article – Business Regulation**

22 6–402.

23 (a) A registration statement shall be on the form that the Secretary of State
24 provides.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, the registration statement
2 shall contain or be accompanied by:

3 (7) (i) an audit by an independent certified public accountant if the
4 gross income from charitable contributions in the most recently completed fiscal year is at
5 least [~~\$500,000~~] **\$750,000**; or

6 (ii) a review by an independent certified public accountant if the
7 gross income from charitable contributions in the most recently completed fiscal year is at
8 least \$200,000 but less than [~~\$500,000~~] **\$750,000**;

9 (c) The Secretary of State may accept other documentation in place of any item
10 required under subsection (b) of this section.

11 (d) The Secretary of State may require an audit or review if the amount of gross
12 income is less than [~~\$500,000~~] **\$750,000**.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
14 1, 2016.