

HOUSE BILL 1404

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(9lr3313)

ENROLLED BILL

— Appropriations/Budget and Taxation —

Introduced by **Delegates McIntosh, Anderson, Boyce, Bridges, Conaway, Glenn, Haynes, Hettleman, Jalisi, Jones, Lafferty, R. Lewis, Lierman, Mosby, Rosenberg, Smith, ~~and Wells~~ Wells, and Solomon**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this _____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Economic Development – Baltimore Symphony Orchestra – Funding and**
3 **Workgroup**
4 **(The John C. Merrill Act)**

5 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to appropriate a certain amount of money to
6 the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra in certain fiscal years; establishing the
7 Workgroup on the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra; providing for the composition,
8 chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; prohibiting a member of the Workgroup from
9 receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain
10 expenses; requiring the Workgroup to examine and make recommendations
11 regarding certain matters; requiring the Workgroup to report its findings and
12 recommendations in a consolidated financial report to certain committees in the

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this
2 Act; and generally relating to the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

3 BY adding to
4 Article – Economic Development
5 Section 4–513
6 Annotated Code of Maryland
7 (2018 Replacement Volume)

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

10 **Article – Economic Development**

11 **4–513.**

12 **FOR EACH OF FISCAL YEARS 2020 AND 2021, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE**
13 **IN THE STATE BUDGET AN ANNUAL APPROPRIATION TO THE BALTIMORE SYMPHONY**
14 **ORCHESTRA OF \$1,600,000.**

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

16 (a) There is a Workgroup on the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

17 (b) The Workgroup consists of the following members:

18 (1) one member appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker
19 of the House of Delegates;

20 (2) two members of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Board of Directors,
21 appointed by the Chair of the Board of Directors;

22 (3) ~~two~~ three members of the Baltimore Symphony Players Committee,
23 appointed by the Chair of the Baltimore Symphony Players Committee;

24 (4) two members of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Administration,
25 appointed by the President and CEO of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra;

26 (c) The member appointed under subsection (b)(1) of this section shall serve as
27 the chair of the Workgroup.

28 (d) The Maryland Department of Commerce shall provide staff for the
29 Workgroup.

30 (e) A member of the Workgroup:

1 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Workgroup; but

2 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State
3 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

4 (f) The Workgroup shall:

5 (1) examine structural efficiencies of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra,
6 including health care costs and facility usage; and

7 (2) make recommendations regarding:

8 (i) cost containment strategies; and

9 (ii) audience development, including:

10 1. methods to diversify access to the Baltimore Symphony
11 Orchestra; and

12 2. methods to increase statewide public participation in the
13 Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

14 (g) On or before October 1, 2019, the Workgroup shall report its recommendations
15 in a consolidated financial report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government
16 Article, to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee and the House of Delegates
17 Appropriations Committee of the General Assembly.

18 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
19 1, 2019. Section 1 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of
20 June 30, 2021, Section 1 of this Act, with no further action required by the General
21 Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect. Section 2 of this Act shall
22 remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2020, Section 2 of this
23 Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no
24 further force and effect.