SENATE BILL 192

By: The President (By Request – Administration)
Introduced and read first time: January 15, 2020
Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2020

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that the Comptroller publish, in a certain manner, certain notices regarding persons appearing to be the owners of abandoned property; requiring the Comptroller to establish and maintain a certain abandoned property database and publish notice of the database in a certain manner; expanding the authorized uses of certain funds; altering, for certain fiscal years, the total State operating fund per full–time equivalent student for certain community colleges that the Governor is required to request; altering, for certain fiscal years, the total State operating funds required to be distributed to certain community colleges; authorizing, rather than requiring, the Governor to include in certain budgets certain appropriations; altering, for certain fiscal years, the annual apportionment for each institution that qualifies for aid under the Joseph A. Sellinger Program; repealing a requirement that the Governor include certain appropriations in the budget each year; reducing the rate increase for certain service providers the Governor is required to include in a certain budget; altering the amount the Governor is authorized to appropriate to a certain fund in certain budgets; limiting the amount of a certain subsidy that a certain commission may receive each fiscal year; requiring that a certain subsidy for a certain program must be at least a certain amount each fiscal year; reducing the amount the State is required to appropriate in the State budget as a payment to a certain city for certain services; repealing a requirement that a certain appropriation to a certain city be increased each year by a certain amount; providing that for certain fiscal years a certain revenue estimate adjustment made by the Bureau of Revenue Estimates may not exceed certain amounts; authorizing the Governor to provide copies of certain budget books in print or electronic form; requiring that certain information be provided in a certain manner on the Department of Budget and Management’s website; repealing a requirement that the Governor submit certain budget books and provide certain information in a certain manner; altering a requirement that for a certain fiscal year the Governor include in the budget bill a certain appropriation to the accumulation funds of the State Retirement and Pension System; repealing a requirement that if

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
certain revenues exceed a certain estimate the Comptroller distribute a certain amount to a certain fund to be used for certain purposes; repealing a requirement that money in a certain fund be used for a certain purpose; repealing a requirement that the State pay a certain amount for certain fiscal years to a certain account as repayment for a certain transfer; requiring the Comptroller to distribute a certain amount for certain fiscal years to a certain account; reducing for a certain fiscal year the total amount of film tax credit certificates that the Secretary of Commerce may issue; increasing the percentage of certain costs for which each county and Baltimore City are responsible for reimbursing the State; altering certain requirements that for certain fiscal years the Governor appropriate certain amounts from the General Fund to a certain special fund; providing, for certain fiscal years, the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment; altering the fiscal year budget that the Governor is required to begin reducing the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment by a certain amount; repealing a requirement that for certain fiscal years certain amounts be transferred between certain funds; providing, for a certain fiscal year, that payments to providers with rates set by a certain committee may not increase by more than a certain amount; authorizing the Governor to transfer certain amounts from certain funds; repealing provisions of law relating to the National Capital Strategic Economic Development Program; reducing for a certain fiscal year a certain appropriation; requiring that for certain fiscal years a certain distribution of revenue be used for a certain purpose; and generally relating to the financing of State and local government.

BY repealing
Article – Economic Development
Section 4–513
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – Housing and Community Development
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2019 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

BY repealing
Article – State Finance and Procurement
Section 7–116 and 7–329(b–1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2015 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Commercial Law
Section 17–311
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2013 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)
1. BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
   2. Article – Education
   3. Section 5–219(a), 24–201, and 24–204(a)
   4. Annotated Code of Maryland

6. BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
   7. Article – Education
   8. Section 5–219(g), 16–305(c)(1), 16–320(c), and 17–104(a)
   9. Annotated Code of Maryland

11. BY repealing
    12. Article – Education
    13. Section 24–204(d)
    14. Annotated Code of Maryland

16. BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
    17. Article – Health – General
    18. Section 7–307(a)(3), 16–201.3(a)(2), 16–201.4(a), and 19–2201(a) and (e)(1)
    19. Annotated Code of Maryland
    20. (2019 Replacement Volume)

21. BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
    22. Article – Health – General
    24. Annotated Code of Maryland
    25. (2019 Replacement Volume)

26. BY adding to
    27. Article – Health – General
    28. Section 19–2201(e)(2)(v)
    29. Annotated Code of Maryland
    30. (2019 Replacement Volume)

31. BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
    32. Article – Housing and Community Development
    33. Section 4–509(a)(1) and (4)
    34. Annotated Code of Maryland
    35. (2019 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

36. BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
    37. Article – Housing and Community Development
    38. Section 4–509(j)(3)
    39. Annotated Code of Maryland
BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
   Article – Insurance
   Section 14–106(d) and (e) and 31–107.2(a)
   Annotated Code of Maryland
   (2017 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
   Article – State Finance and Procurement
   Section 4–608, 6–104(e), 7–115, 7–311(j)(1), 7–329(c) and (d), and 7–330(g) and (j)
   Annotated Code of Maryland
   (2015 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
   Article – State Finance and Procurement
   Section 7–329(b) and (e) and 7–330(b) through (f), (h), (i), and (k)
   Annotated Code of Maryland
   (2015 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
   Article – Tax – General
   Section 2–606 and 10–730(f)
   Annotated Code of Maryland
   (2016 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
   Article – Tax – Property
   Section 2–106 and 13–209(g)(2), (3), and (4)
   Annotated Code of Maryland
   (2019 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
   Chapter 397 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapter
   the General Assembly of 2014, Chapter 489 of the Acts of the General
   Assembly of 2015, Chapter 23 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2017,
   Chapter 10 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2018, and Chapter 16 of the
   Acts of the General Assembly of 2019
   Section 16(c)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
   Chapter 364 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2017
   Section 3

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
   Chapter 365 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2017
SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 4–513 of Article – Economic Development of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 6–701 through 6–710 and the subtitle “Subtitle 7. National Capital Strategic Economic Development Program” of Article – Housing and Community Development of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 7–116 of Article – State Finance and Procurement of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Commercial Law

17–311.

[(a) (1) Within 365 days from the filing of the report required by § 17–310 of this subtitle, the Administrator shall cause notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in the State within which is located the last known address of any person to be named in the notice.

(2) If an address is not listed or if the address is outside the State, the notice shall be published in the county within which the person who held the abandoned property has the principal place of business in this State.

(b) The published notice shall be entitled “Notice of Names of Persons Appearing to Be Owners of Abandoned Property” and shall contain:

(1) The names in alphabetical order and last known addresses, if any, of persons listed in the report and entitled to notice in the county specified in this section;

(2) A statement that information concerning the amount or description of the property and the name and address of the person who held the property may be obtained by any person who possesses an interest in the property, by addressing an inquiry to the Administrator; and

(3) A statement that a proof of claim may be presented by the owner to the Administrator.

(c) The Administrator is not required to publish in the notice any item valued at less than $100 unless the Administrator considers the publication to be in the public interest.]
(A) In this section, “abandoned property database” means an electronic database containing the names and last known addresses, if any, of persons who appear to be owners of abandoned property.

(B) (1) The administrator shall maintain, or cause to be maintained, an abandoned property database.

(2) Within 365 days after the filing of the report required by § 17–310 of this subtitle, the administrator shall add to the abandoned property database the names and last known addresses, if any, of persons listed in the report.

(3) The administrator shall maintain, or cause to be maintained, an internet website that:

   (I) Provides reasonable means by which a person may search the abandoned property database required by this subsection;

   (II) Contains a statement that information concerning the amount or description of the property and the name and address of the person who held the property may be obtained by any person who possesses an interest in the property, by addressing an inquiry to the administrator;

   (III) Contains a statement that a proof of claim may be presented by the owner to the administrator; and

   (IV) Includes a link to an abandoned property claim form.

(C) (1) The administrator shall publish notice on the internet website required by subsection (B)(3) of this section.

(2) The notice shall:

   (I) Be published at least once each calendar quarter in one or more newspapers of general circulation in each county of the state; and

   (II) Contain:

       1. A statement that the administrator
MAINTAINS RECORDS OF THE NAMES AND LAST KNOWN ADDRESSES, IF ANY, OF PERSONS WHO APPEAR TO BE OWNERS OF ABANDONED PROPERTY;

2. A STATEMENT THAT ANY PERSON MAY SEARCH THE ADMINISTRATOR’S ABANDONED PROPERTY RECORDS THROUGH THE ADMINISTRATOR’S INTERNET WEBSITE;

3. THE ADDRESS OF THE INTERNET WEBSITE; AND

4. A PHONE NUMBER THAT A PERSON MAY CALL FOR ASSISTANCE IF THE PERSON DOES NOT HAVE INTERNET ACCESS.

(d) Within 120 days from the receipt of the report required by § 17–310 of this subtitle, the Administrator shall mail a notice to each person who has an address listed in the report who appears entitled to property valued at $100 or more and presumed abandoned under this subtitle.

(e) The mailed notice shall contain:

(1) A statement that, according to a report filed with the Administrator, property is being held to which the addressee appears entitled;

(2) The name and address of the person who held the property and any necessary information regarding any change of the name or address of the holder; and

(3) A statement that a proof of claim may be presented by the owner to the Administrator.

Article – Education

5–219.

(a) In this section, “Fund” means The Blueprint for Maryland’s Future Fund.

(g) The Fund may be used only to assist in providing adequate funding for [early]:

(1) EARLY childhood education and primary and secondary education based on the recommendations of the Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education, including revised education funding formulas; AND

(2) MARYLAND PREKINDERGARTEN EXPANSION GRANTS.

16–305.

(c) (1) (i) Except as provided in subparagraphs (iii), (iv), [and] (v), (VI),
AND (VII) of this paragraph, the total State operating fund per full–time equivalent student to the community colleges for each fiscal year as requested by the Governor shall be:

1. In fiscal year 2009, not less than an amount equal to 26.25% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the previous fiscal year;

2. In fiscal year 2010, not less than an amount equal to 23.6% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year;

3. In fiscal year 2011, not less than an amount equal to 21.8% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year;

4. In fiscal year 2012, not less than an amount equal to 20% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year;

5. In fiscal year 2014, an amount that is the greater of 19.7% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year or $1,839.47 per full–time equivalent student;

6. In fiscal year 2015, an amount that is the greater of 19.7% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year or $1,839.47 per full–time equivalent student;

7. In fiscal year 2017, not less than an amount equal to 20.5% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year;

8. In fiscal year 2018, not less than an amount equal to 21.0% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year
public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year;

9. In fiscal year 2019, not less than an amount equal to 22.0% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year; AND

10. In fiscal year 2020, not less than an amount equal to 23% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year;

11. In fiscal year 2021, not less than an amount equal to 25% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year;

12. In fiscal year 2022, not less than an amount equal to 27% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year; and

13. In fiscal year 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter, not less than an amount equal to 29% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year].

(ii) For purposes of this subsection, the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State for a fiscal year shall include noncapital appropriations from the Higher Education Investment Fund.

(iii) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, the total State operating funds to be distributed under this subsection to the community colleges for each of fiscal years 2011 and 2012 shall be $194,407,432.

(iv) In fiscal year 2013, the total State operating funds for community colleges shall be $199,176,114, to be distributed as follows:

1. Allegany College .........................................................$4,773,622;
(v) In fiscal year 2016, the total State operating funds for community colleges shall be $222,744,620, to be distributed as follows:

1. Allegany College ........................................ $4,850,443;
2. Anne Arundel Community College ................... $28,715,483;
3. Community College of Baltimore County ........ $38,637,668;
4. Carroll Community College ............................. $7,345,653;
5. Cecil Community College ................................. $5,108,064;
6. College of Southern Maryland ....................... $13,017,885;
7. Chesapeake College ....................................... $6,142,473;
8. Frederick Community College ......................... $8,975,284;
9. Garrett College .......................................................... $2,561,002;
10. Hagerstown Community College .................. $7,620,412;
11. Harford Community College ...................... $10,865,634;
12. Howard Community College ...................... $15,723,055;
13. Montgomery College ............................................. $40,000,786;
14. Prince George's Community College .... $26,072,537; and

(VI) In fiscal year 2021, the total state operating funds for the community colleges shall be $267,916,591 to be distributed as follows:

1. Allegany College of Maryland ...... $5,603,130;
2. Anne Arundel Community College .................. $31,690,223;
3. Community College of Baltimore County ....................................... $45,623,299;
4. Carroll Community College .......... $8,195,322;
5. Cecil College ............................... $5,755,092;
6. College of Southern Maryland .... $15,088,436;
7. Chesapeake College ....................... $6,589,636;
8. Frederick Community College .... $12,042,368;
9. Garrett College .............................. $3,027,853;
10. Hagerstown Community College .... $9,316,385;
11. Harford Community College ........ $12,990,121;
12. Howard Community College ........ $21,459,934;
13.  MONTGOMERY COLLEGE .........................$48,388,449;

14.  PRINCE GEORGE'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE .........................$33,586,778; AND

15.  WOR–WIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE ...........$8,559,565.

(VII) BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2022 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE TOTAL STATE OPERATING FUNDS TO BE DISTRIBUTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION TO EACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE SHALL BE THE AMOUNT OF AID PROVIDED IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR AS APPROVED IN THE STATE BUDGET AS ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY INCREASED BY THE PERCENTAGE BY WHICH THE PROJECTED TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR EXCEED THE REVISED ESTIMATE OF TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, AS CONTAINED IN THE DECEMBER REPORT OF ESTIMATED STATE REVENUES SUBMITTED BY THE BOARD OF REVENUE ESTIMATES TO THE GOVERNOR UNDER § 6–106 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

16–320.

(c)  (1) In fiscal year 2019 and in each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor shall annually appropriate in the operating budget OR CAPITAL BUDGET of the Commission an amount equal to 5% of the appropriation to the Community College Construction Grant Program in the same fiscal year.

(2) [The appropriation required] IF AN APPROPRIATION IS PROPOSED BY THE GOVERNOR under paragraph (1) of this subsection, THE APPROPRIATION shall be in addition to and may not supplant the amount appropriated to the Community College Construction Grant Program in the State budget.

17–104.

(a)  (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2), (3), [and] (4), (5), AND (6) of this subsection, the Maryland Higher Education Commission shall compute the amount of the annual apportionment for each institution that qualifies under this subtitle by multiplying the number of full–time equivalent students enrolled at the institution during the fall semester of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the aid apportionment is made, as determined by the Maryland Higher Education Commission by:

(i) In fiscal year 2009, an amount not less than 16% of the State’s General Fund per full–time equivalent student appropriation to the 4–year public institutions of higher education in this State for the preceding fiscal year;
(ii) In fiscal year 2010, an amount not less than 12.85% of the State’s General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in the State for the same fiscal year;

(iii) In fiscal year 2011, an amount not less than 9.8% of the State’s General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year;

(iv) In fiscal year 2012, an amount not less than 9.2% of the State’s General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year;

(v) In fiscal year 2014, an amount that is the greater of 9.4% of the State’s General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year or $875.53 per full-time equivalent student;

(vi) In fiscal year 2015, an amount that is the greater of 9.4% of the State’s General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year or $875.53 per full-time equivalent student;

(vii) In fiscal year 2017, an amount not less than 10.1% of the State’s General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year;

(viii) In fiscal year 2018, an amount not less than 10.5% of the State’s General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year;

(ix) In fiscal year 2019, an amount not less than 10.8% of the State’s General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year; AND

(x) In fiscal year 2020, an amount not less than 11.1% of the State’s General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year;

(xi) In fiscal year 2021 and each fiscal year thereafter, an amount not less than 15.5% of the State’s General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year.

(2) For each of fiscal years 2011 and 2012, the total amount of the aid provided under this subtitle shall be $38,445,958, to be allocated among the institutions that qualify under this subtitle in proportion to the number of full-time equivalent students enrolled at each institution during the fall semester of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the aid apportionment is made, as determined by the Maryland Higher
Education Commission.

(3) In fiscal year 2013, the total amount of aid due to all institutions shall be $38,056,175.

(4) In fiscal year 2016, the total amount of the aid provided under this subtitle shall be $42,822,240, to be allocated among the institutions that qualify under this subtitle in proportion to the number of full-time equivalent students enrolled at each institution during the fall semester of fiscal year 2015, as determined by the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

(5) In fiscal year 2021, the total amount of aid due to all institutions shall be $59,024,905 to be distributed as follows:

(I) Capitol Technology University ......................$670,957;

(II) Goucher College ..................................$2,466,084;

(III) Hood College .....................................$1,834,286;

(IV) Johns Hopkins University .......................$29,019,524;

(V) Loyola University Maryland ..................$6,534,728;

(VI) Maryland Institute College of Art ..........$2,823,062;

(VII) McDaniel College .................................$2,771,043;

(VIII) Mount St. Mary’s University ..............$2,676,349;

(IX) Notre Dame of Maryland University ....$1,842,589;

(X) St. John’s College .................................$843,131;

(XI) Stevenson University ...........................$4,358,920;

(XII) Washington Adventist University .......$1,171,808; and


(6) Beginning in fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter, the total amount of aid provided to each eligible institution under this subtitle shall be the amount of aid provided in the current fiscal year increased by one percentage point less than
THE PERCENTAGE BY WHICH THE PROJECTED TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES FOR THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR EXCEED THE REVISED ESTIMATE OF TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, AS CONTAINED IN THE DECEMBER REPORT OF ESTIMATED STATE REVENUES SUBMITTED BY THE BOARD OF REVENUE ESTIMATES TO THE GOVERNOR UNDER § 6–106 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

24–201.

There is a Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission.

24–204.

(a) (1) The Commission annually shall prepare a budget request to provide funds to perform its duties under this subtitle.

(2) The Commission may receive and spend any grant or gift budgeted or provided for it.

(3) (i) The Commission is encouraged to make use of its facilities, equipment, and other resources to provide services that may generate additional income. Any income earned in that manner shall be considered special funds for use by the Commission.

(ii) Unexpended funds may be carried forward and expended in any subsequent fiscal year, subject to the approval of the Board of Public Works.

[(d) (1) Beginning in fiscal year 2019, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill a General Fund appropriation to the Commission in an amount not less than the General Fund appropriation for the current fiscal year as approved in the State budget as enacted by the General Assembly and increased by the percentage by which the projected total General Fund revenues for the upcoming fiscal year exceed the revised estimate of total General Fund revenues for the current fiscal year, as contained in the December report of estimated State revenues submitted by the Board of Revenue Estimates to the Governor under § 6–106 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

(2) (i) In addition to the appropriation required under paragraph (1) of this subsection, if the actual amount of special funds in special fund code R15304 Community Services Grant and CPB Grant in budget code R15P00 Maryland Public Broadcasting Commission received by the Commission in the second previous fiscal year is lower than the amount that was budgeted for the Commission as approved in the State budget as enacted by the General Assembly for the second previous fiscal year, the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill, for the upcoming fiscal year, a General Fund appropriation to the Commission in an amount not less than the difference between the actual funds and the budgeted funds.
(ii) The general funds appropriated under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph may not be included in the calculation under paragraph (1) of this subsection for any subsequent fiscal year.

Article – Health – General

7–307.

(a) (3) “Community provider” means a community–based agency or program funded by the Administration to serve individuals with developmental disabilities.

(d) (2) The Governor's proposed budget for fiscal year 2021 shall include a [4%] 2% rate increase for community service providers over the funding provided in the legislative appropriation for Object 08 Contractual Services in Program M00M01.02 Community Services for fiscal year 2020.

16–201.3.

(a) (2) “Community provider” means a community–based agency or program funded by the Behavioral Health Administration or the Medical Care Programs Administration to serve individuals with mental disorders, substance–related disorders, or a combination of these disorders.

(d) (2) The Governor’s proposed budget for fiscal year 2021 shall include a [4%] 2% rate increase for community providers over the funding provided in the legislative appropriation for the immediately preceding fiscal year for each of the following:

(i) Object 08 Contractual Services in Program M00Q01.10 Medicaid Behavioral Health Provider Reimbursement — Medical Care Programs Administration;

(ii) Object 08 Contractual Services in Program M00L01.02 Community Services — Behavioral Health Administration; and

(iii) Object 08 Contractual Services in Program M00L01.03 Community Services for Medicaid State Fund Recipients — Behavioral Health Administration.

16–201.4.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) “Provider” means a provider of:

(i) Nursing home services;

(ii) Medical day care services;
(iii) Private duty nursing services;
(iv) Personal care services;
(v) Home– and community–based services; and
(vi) Services provided through the Community First Choice program.

(3) “Rate” means the reimbursement rate paid by the Department to
providers of nursing home, medical day care, private duty nursing, personal care, and
home– and community–based services and services provided through the Community First
Choice program from the State General Fund, Maryland Medical Assistance Program
funds, other State or federal funds, or a combination of these funds.

(b) (1) The Governor’s proposed budget for fiscal year 2021 shall include a
[4%] 2% rate increase for providers over the funding provided in the legislative
appropriation for the immediately preceding fiscal year in Program M00Q01.03 Medical
Care Provider Reimbursements — Medical Care Programs Administration and Program
M00Q01.07 Maryland Children’s Health Program — Medical Care Programs
Administration.

19–2201.

(a) In this section, “Fund” means the Community Health Resources Commission
Fund.

(e) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Fund may be used only
to:

(i) Cover the administrative costs of the Commission;

(ii) Cover the actual documented direct costs of fulfilling the
statutory and regulatory duties of the Commission in accordance with the provisions of this
subtitle;

(iii) Provide operating grants to qualifying community health
resources; and

(iv) Provide funding for the development, support, and monitoring of
a unified data information system among primary and specialty care providers, hospitals,
and other providers of services to community health resource members.

(2) (iv) For fiscal [year] YEARS 2019 [and each fiscal year thereafter.]
AND 2020, the Fund may be used for any project or initiative authorized under Title 10,
Subtitle 2 and Title 13, Subtitle 3 of this article and approved by the Commission if no less
than $8,000,000 of the subsidy required under § 14–106(d)(2)(ii)2 of the Insurance Article
is used in each fiscal year for the purposes under paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(v) For fiscal year 2021 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Fund may be used for any project or initiative authorized under Title 10, Subtitle 2 and Title 13, Subtitle 3 of this Article and approved by the Commission if no more than $8,000,000 of the subsidy required under § 14–106(d)(2)(ii)2 of the Insurance Article is used in each fiscal year for the purposes under paragraph (1) of this subsection.

Article – Housing and Community Development

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(4) “Fund” means the Seed Community Development Anchor Institution Fund.

(j) (3) For fiscal year 2021 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor MAY include in the annual budget bill or the capital budget bill an appropriation of $5,000,000 for the Fund.

Article – Insurance

(d) (1) Notwithstanding subsection (c) of this section, a nonprofit health service plan that is subject to this section and issues comprehensive health care benefits in the State shall:

(i) offer health care products in the individual market;

(ii) offer health care products in the small employer group market in accordance with Title 15, Subtitle 12 of this article;

(iii) subsidize the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program established under Title 15, Subtitle 10 of the Health – General Article;

(iv) subsidize the Kidney Disease Program under Title 13, Subtitle 3 of the Health – General Article;

(v) support the costs of the Community Health Resources Commission under Title 19, Subtitle 21 of the Health – General Article, including:

1. operating grants to community health resources;
2. funding for a unified data information system;

3. the documented direct costs of fulfilling the statutory and regulatory duties of the Commission; and

4. the administrative costs of the Commission; and

(vi) subsidize the provision of mental health services to the uninsured under Title 10, Subtitle 2 of the Health – General Article.

(2) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, the support provided under paragraph (1)(iv), (v), and (vi) of this subsection to the Kidney Disease Program, the Community Health Resources Commission, and the Maryland Department of Health, respectively, shall be the value of the premium tax exemption less the subsidy required under this subsection for the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program.

(ii) [The] SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE subsidy provided under this subsection to the Community Health Resources Commission may not be less than:

1. $3,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2012 and 2013; and

2. $8,000,000 for EACH OF fiscal [year] YEARS 2014 [and each fiscal year thereafter] THROUGH 2020.

(III) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE SUBSIDY PROVIDED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION TO THE COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES COMMISSION MAY NOT EXCEED $8,000,000.

(3) For any year, the subsidy and funding required under this subsection by a nonprofit health service plan subject to this section may not exceed the value of the nonprofit health service plan’s premium tax exemption under § 6–101(b) of this article.

(e) The subsidy that a nonprofit health service plan is required to provide to the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program under subsection (d)(1)(iii) of this section [may not exceed]:

(1) for the period of January 1, 2006 through June 30, 2006, MAY NOT EXCEED $8,000,000;

(2) for fiscal years 2008 through [2025] 2020, MAY NOT EXCEED $14,000,000; [and]

(3) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER,
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MAY NOT BE LESS THAN $14,000,000; AND

(4) for any year, MAY NOT EXCEED the value of the nonprofit health
service plan’s premium tax exemption under § 6–101(b) of this article.

31–107.2.

(a) (1) For State fiscal year 2015 and for each State fiscal year thereafter, from
the funds received from the distribution of the premium tax under § 6–103.2 of this article,
the Governor shall provide an appropriation in the State budget adequate to fully fund the
operations of the Exchange.

(ii) For State fiscal year 2015, the appropriation shall be no less than
$10,000,000.

For each State fiscal year thereafter, the appropriation shall be
no less than $35,000,000.

(II) FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2021 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE APPROPRIATION SHALL BE $32,000,000.

Article – State Finance and Procurement

4–608.

[(a)] Annually, the State shall appropriate in the State budget and pay to the
Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis at least [$750,000] $367,000 as payment for
services provided to the State by the City of Annapolis.

[(b) For fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter, the appropriation required
under subsection (a) of this section shall be increased by the percent increase in the
Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the Baltimore Metropolitan Statistical
Area.]

6–104.

(e) (1) Beginning with the revenue estimate for fiscal year 2020, the Bureau
shall calculate the share of General Fund revenues represented by nonwithholding income
tax revenues in accordance with this subsection.

(ii) 1. For each fiscal year, the 10–year average shall use the 10
most recently completed fiscal years for which data are available when the estimate is
prepared in the September before the beginning of the fiscal year.

The same 10–year average shall be used in all subsequent revisions to the revenue estimate for that fiscal year.

(3) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, for each fiscal year, if the Bureau’s estimate of the share of General Fund revenues from nonwithholding income tax revenues is above the 10–year average share, the Bureau shall adjust the revenue estimate by reducing General Fund revenues from nonwithholding income tax revenues by an amount sufficient to align the estimated share of General Fund revenues from nonwithholding income tax revenues with the 10–year average share of General Fund revenues from nonwithholding income taxes.

(ii) The adjustment made under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph may not exceed the following percentage of total General Fund revenues OR DOLLAR VALUE IN A SPECIFIED FISCAL YEAR:

1. 0.225% for fiscal year 2020;

2. [1%] $60,000,000 for fiscal year 2021; [and]

3. [2%] $80,000,000 for fiscal year 2022 [and each fiscal year thereafter];

4. $100,000,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023;

5. $120,000,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024;

6. $140,000,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025; AND

7. 2% FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER.

(iii) The capped estimate calculated under this paragraph shall be incorporated in the revenue estimate the Bureau shall report to the Board in the report required under subsection (b)(2) of this section.

7–115.

(a) On submission of the budget bill to the presiding officers of the General Assembly, the Governor shall provide the supporting material specified in this section.

(b) (1) The Governor shall provide budget books that include the information required in this section.

(2) ANY COPIES OF BUDGET BOOKS REQUIRED BY THIS ARTICLE MAY,
AT THE DISCRETION OF THE GOVERNOR, BE PROVIDED IN EITHER PRINT OR ELECTRONIC FORMAT.

(c) The budget books for a fiscal year shall:

(1) (i) state each source of State revenues for the year, from which the proposed appropriations are to be paid; and

(ii) state the amount that the Governor estimates will be collected from each source;

(2) contain a summary of the annuity bond accounts of the State as of the end of the last full fiscal year; and

(3) (i) include a copy of the statewide cost allocation plan filed with the federal government for federal reimbursement of the costs of indirect State services that benefit federally funded programs; and

(ii) list, by unit of the State government, the amount of reimbursement received under the plan during the last full fiscal year.

(d) The budget books shall contain personnel detail in a section that, by unit of the State government, sets forth, for each program or purpose of that unit:

(1) the total number of officers and employees and the number in each job classification:

(i) authorized in the State budget for the last full fiscal year and the current fiscal year; and

(ii) requested for the next fiscal year;

(2) the total amount for salaries of officers and employees and the amount for salaries of each job classification:

(i) spent during the last full fiscal year;

(ii) authorized in the State budget for the current fiscal year; and

(iii) requested for the next fiscal year; and

(3) an itemized statement of the expenditures for contractual services, supplies and materials, equipment, land and structures, fixed charges, and other operating expenses:

(i) made in the last full fiscal year;
(ii) authorized in the State budget for the current fiscal year; and

(iii) requested for the next fiscal year.

(e) The budget books shall include the StateStat or managing for results agency strategic plan required under this article, but shall be limited to a description of the agency’s mission, goals, objectives, and performance measures.

(f) Whenever a proposed budget exceeds the recommendations of the Spending Affordability Committee, the budget books shall:

(1) indicate the degree to which the proposed budget and recommendations differ; and

(2) set forth the Governor’s reasons for exceeding the recommendations.

(g) The budget books shall include supporting data and the results of the calculations required under § 5–202(l) of the Education Article.

(H) THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED ON THE WEBSITE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THE SUBMISSION OF THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET.

7–311.

(j) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, for fiscal year 2007 and for each subsequent fiscal year, the Governor shall include in the budget bill an appropriation:

(i) for fiscal year 2017, to the accumulation funds of the State Retirement and Pension System an amount, up to a maximum of $50,000,000, that is equal to one-half of the amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year exceeds $10,000,000;

(ii) for fiscal year 2020:

1. to the accumulation funds of the State Retirement and Pension System an amount, up to a maximum of $50,000,000, that is equal to one-half of the amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year exceeds $10,000,000; and

2. to the Account equal to the amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year exceeds $10,000,000, less the amount of the appropriation under item 1 of this item; [and]

(iii) for fiscal year 2021 [and each fiscal year thereafter], TO THE
ACCOUNT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT BY WHICH THE UNAPPROPRIATED GENERAL FUND SURPLUS AS OF JUNE 30 OF THE SECOND PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR EXCEEDS $10,000,000; AND

(IV) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER:

1. to the accumulation funds of the State Retirement and Pension System an amount, up to a maximum of $25,000,000, that is equal to one-quarter of the amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year exceeds $10,000,000;

2. to the Postretirement Health Benefits Trust Fund established under § 34–101 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article an amount, up to a maximum of $25,000,000, that is equal to one-quarter of the amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year exceeds $10,000,000; and

3. to the Account equal to the amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year exceeds $10,000,000, less the amount of the appropriations under items 1 and 2 of this item.

7–329.

(b) At the end of fiscal year 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, if General Fund revenues for the fiscal year are less than the March estimate of the Board of Revenue Estimates, the amount of nonwithholding income tax revenues that exceeds the capped estimate determined under § 6–104(e) of this article shall be applied to close the gap in revenues for that fiscal year.

[(b–1) At the end of fiscal year 2020 only, if the amount of nonwithholding income tax revenues that exceeds the capped estimate determined under §6–104(e) of this article exceeds the amount necessary to close the gap in revenues under subsection (b) of this section, the State Comptroller shall distribute the remainder to the Fiscal Responsibility Fund established under § 7–330 of this subtitle for the purpose of providing a cost–of–living adjustment of up to 2% beginning July 1, 2020, for permanent employees in the Executive Branch of State government who are in a bargaining unit that is represented by one of the following exclusive representatives:

(1) the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL–CIO, excluding a bargaining unit represented by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL–CIO Local 1859;

(2) AFT Healthcare–Maryland, AFT, AFL–CIO Local 5197; or

(3) the Maryland Professional Employees Council/AFT/AFL–CIO Local
(c) Except as provided in subsection (b–1) of this section, if the amount of nonwithholding income tax revenues that exceeds the capped estimate determined under § 6–104(e) of this article exceeds the amount necessary to close the gap in revenues under subsection (b) of this section, and if the balance of the Revenue Stabilization Account under § 7–311 of this subtitle is less than 6% of the estimated General Fund revenues for that fiscal year, the State Comptroller shall distribute to the Revenue Stabilization Account the lesser of:

1. the remaining balance of nonwithholding income tax revenues in excess of the capped estimate determined under § 6–104(e) of this article; or
2. the amount required for the Revenue Stabilization Account balance to equal 6% of the estimated General Fund revenues for that fiscal year.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (b–1) of this section, if the amount of nonwithholding income tax revenues that exceeds the capped estimate determined under § 6–104(e) of this article exceeds the amount the State Comptroller is required to distribute to the Revenue Stabilization Account under subsection (c) of this section, the State Comptroller shall distribute:

1. subject to subsection (e) of this section, 50% of the remaining amount to the Revenue Stabilization Account; and
2. the remainder to the Fiscal Responsibility Fund established under § 7–330 of this subtitle.

(e) The distribution to the Revenue Stabilization Account under subsection (d)(1) of this section does not apply if the amount in the Revenue Stabilization Account exceeds 10% of General Fund revenues.

(b) There is a Fiscal Responsibility Fund.

(c) The purpose of the Fund is to retain the amount of nonwithholding income tax revenues deposited to the Fund in accordance with § 7–329(d)(2) of this subtitle until the revenues are appropriated in the State budget.

(d) The State Comptroller shall administer the Fund.

(e) (1) The Fund is a special, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to § 7–302 of this subtitle.

(2) The State Treasurer shall hold the Fund separately, and the State Comptroller shall account for the Fund.
(f) The Fund consists of nonwithholding income tax revenues that exceed the capped estimate determined under § 6–104(e) of this article deposited into the Fund by the State Comptroller under § 7–329(d)(2) of this subtitle.

(g) [(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the] THE Fund may be used only to provide pay–as–you–go capital funds for:

[(i)] (1) public school construction and public school capital improvement projects, in accordance with Title 5, Subtitle 3 of the Education Article;

[(ii)] (2) capital projects at public community colleges; and

[(iii)] (3) capital projects at four–year public institutions of higher education.

[(2) For fiscal year 2021 only, money in the Fund shall be used to provide a cost–of–living adjustment of up to 2% beginning July 1, 2020, for permanent employees in the Executive Branch of State government who are in a bargaining unit that is represented by one of the following exclusive representatives:

(i) the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL–CIO, excluding a bargaining unit represented by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL–CIO Local 1859;

(ii) AFT Healthcare–Maryland, AFT, AFL–CIO Local 5197; or

(iii) the Maryland Professional Employees Council/AFT/AFL–CIO Local 6197.]

(h) (1) The State Treasurer shall invest the money of the Fund in the same manner as other State money may be invested.

(2) Any interest earnings of the Fund shall be credited to the General Fund of the State.

(i) Expenditures from the Fund may be made only in accordance with the State budget.

(j) (1) [Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, the] THE Governor shall include in the budget bill for the second following fiscal year an appropriation equal to the amount in the Fund for pay–as–you–go capital projects.

(2) Money expended from the Fund for pay–as–you–go capital projects is supplemental to and is not intended to take the place of funding that otherwise would be appropriated for capital projects, including those funded with pay–as–you–go funds and
the proceeds from the sale of general obligation bonds.

[(3) The Governor shall include in the budget bill submitted at the 2021 Session of the General Assembly an appropriation equal to the amount distributed to the Fund in accordance with § 7–329(b–1) of this subtitle to provide a cost–of–living adjustment of up to 2% beginning July 1, 2020, for permanent employees in the Executive Branch of State government who are in a bargaining unit that is represented by one of the following exclusive representatives:

(i) the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL–CIO, excluding a bargaining unit represented by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL–CIO Local 1859;

(ii) AFT Healthcare–Maryland, AFT, AFL–CIO Local 5197; or

(iii) the Maryland Professional Employees Council/AFT/AFL–CIO Local 6197.]

(k) At the end of a fiscal year, the unspent balance of each appropriation that was made for that fiscal year from the Fund reverts to the Fund.

Article – Tax – General

2–606.

(a) After making the distributions required under §§ 2–604, 2–605, and 2–605.1 of this subtitle, from the remaining income tax revenue from individuals, the Comptroller shall distribute to an unallocated individual revenue account the income tax revenue:

(1) with respect to which an income tax return is not filed; and

(2) that is attributable to:

(i) income tax withheld from salary, wages, or other compensation for personal services under Title 10 of this article; or

(ii) estimated income tax payments by individuals.

(b) (1) In June of each year, from current collections, the Comptroller shall reserve an amount of unallocated revenue that the Comptroller estimates will be claimed on returns and refunded to taxpayers within 3 years of the date the income tax return was due to be filed, and distribute to each county, municipal corporation, and special taxing district a pro rata share of the balance of the unallocated individual income tax revenue.

(2) The Comptroller shall adjust the amount distributed under paragraph (1) of this subsection to a county, municipal corporation, or special taxing district to allow for the proportionate part of tax claim payments for a prior calendar year made after a
distribution is made to the county, municipal corporation, or special taxing district for that year.

(c) (1) To compute the pro rata share for a county, the Comptroller shall:

(i) compute the amount equal to the product of multiplying the unallocated individual income tax revenue by a fraction:

1. the numerator of which is the income tax for the county collected for a calendar year; and

2. the denominator of which is the total income tax from individuals collected for that year; and

(ii) reduce the amount computed under item (i) of this paragraph by the pro rata share computed under paragraph (2) of this subsection for municipal corporations and special taxing districts that are located in the county.

(2) To compute the pro rata share for a municipal corporation or special taxing district, the Comptroller shall compute the amount equal to the product of multiplying the pro rata share for a calendar year for the county where the municipal corporation or district is located by a fraction:

(i) the numerator of which is the amount distributed under § 2–607 of this subtitle to that municipal corporation or special taxing district for that year; and

(ii) the denominator of which is the total income tax for that county collected for that year.

(d) On or before June 30, 2009, the Comptroller shall distribute $366,778,631 from the Local Reserve Account established to comply with this section to the General Fund of the State.

(e) On or before June 30, 2010, the Comptroller shall distribute $350,000,000 from the Local Reserve Account established to comply with this section to the Education Trust Fund established under § 9–1A–30 of the State Government Article.

(f) [(1)] On or before June 30, 2011, the Comptroller shall distribute $200,000,000 from the Local Reserve Account established to comply with this section to the General Fund of the State for use in funding the Maryland Medicaid Program for fiscal year 2011.

[(2) In each of fiscal years 2021 through 2026, the State shall pay to the Local Reserve Account $33,333,333 to repay the $200,000,000 transfer to the General Fund authorized under paragraph (1) of this subsection.]

(g) (1) On or before June 30, 2013, the Comptroller shall distribute
$15,379,979 from the Local Reserve Account established to comply with this section to a special fund established in the Department of Transportation for the purpose of providing transportation grants to municipalities.

(2) The grants authorized under this subsection shall be allocated to eligible municipalities as provided in § 8–405 of the Transportation Article.

(h) For fiscal year 2017 and each fiscal year thereafter, in addition to the amounts distributed under subsection (b) of this section, the Comptroller shall distribute $10,000,000 of the remaining income tax revenue from individuals to the Local Reserve Account established to comply with this section.

(i) For fiscal years 2021 through 2040, in addition to the amounts distributed under subsections (b) and (h) of this section, the Comptroller shall distribute $10,000,000 of the remaining income tax revenue from individuals to the Local Reserve Account established to comply with this section.

(f) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Secretary may not issue tax credit certificates for credit amounts in the aggregate totaling more than:

   (i) for fiscal year 2014, $25,000,000;
   (ii) for fiscal year 2015, $7,500,000;
   (iii) for fiscal year 2016, $7,500,000;
   (iv) for fiscal year 2019, $8,000,000;
   (v) for fiscal year 2020, $11,000,000;
   (vi) for fiscal year 2021, $10,000,000;
   (vii) for fiscal year 2022, $17,000,000; and
   (viii) for fiscal year 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter, $20,000,000.

(2) If the aggregate credit amounts under the tax credit certificates issued by the Secretary total less than the maximum provided under paragraph (1) of this subsection in any fiscal year, any excess amount may be carried forward and issued under tax credit certificates in a subsequent fiscal year.

(3) The Secretary may not issue tax credit certificates for credit amounts
totaling more than $10,000,000 in the aggregate for a single film production activity.

(4) (i) For fiscal year 2019 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Secretary shall make 10% of the credit amount authorized under paragraph (1) of this subsection available for Maryland small or independent film entities.

(ii) If the total amount of credits applied for by Maryland small or independent film entities is less than the amount made available under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph, the Secretary shall make available the unused amount of credits for use by qualified film production entities.

Article – Tax – Property

2–106.

(a) Each county shall provide the supervisor of the county with an office in the county seat or in Baltimore City, for the supervisor of Baltimore City. The Department is responsible for providing each supervisor with clerical staff, equipment, and other facilities and assistance that the Department considers necessary and as provided in the State budget.

(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each county and Baltimore City shall be responsible for reimbursing the State for the costs of administering the Department as follows:

(i) [50%] 60% of the costs of real property valuation;

(ii) [50%] 60% of the costs of business personal property valuation;

and

(iii) [50%] 60% of the costs of the Office of Information Technology within the Department, including any funding for departmental projects in the Major Information Technology Development Project Fund established under § 3A–309 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

(2) For each of fiscal years 2012 and 2013, each county and Baltimore City shall be responsible for reimbursing the State 90% instead of 50% of the costs of administering the Department described in paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(c) Costs under subsection (b) of this section shall be allocated among the counties and Baltimore City as follows:

(1) costs under subsection (b)(1)(i) and (iii) of this section will be allocated based on the number of real property accounts of a county or Baltimore City as a percentage of the total number of real property accounts statewide as of July 1 of the preceding fiscal year; and
costs under subsection (b)(1)(ii) of this section will be allocated based on
the business personal property assessable base of a county or Baltimore City as a
percentage of the total business personal property assessable bases statewide as of July 1
of the preceding fiscal year.

(d) Each county and Baltimore City shall remit a quarterly payment to the
Comptroller for 25% of the jurisdiction’s share of costs on the following dates:

(1) July 1;
(2) October 1;
(3) January 1; and
(4) April 1.

(e) The Comptroller may withhold a portion of a local income tax distribution of
a county or Baltimore City that fails to make timely payment in accordance with this
section.

(g) (2) (i) The Governor shall include in each of the annual budget bills for
fiscal years [2020, 2021, and] 2021, 2022, AND 2023 a General Fund appropriation to the
special fund in the amount of $12,500,000.

(ii) The appropriations required under subparagraph (i) of this
paragraph:

1. cumulatively represent reimbursement for 50% of the
cumulative amount of any appropriation or transfer from the special fund to the General
Fund for fiscal year 2006;

2. are not subject to the provisions of subsections (a), (b), (c),
and (f) of this section;

3. shall be allocated as provided in subsection (d) of this
section and § 5–903 of the Natural Resources Article; and

4. shall be reduced by the amount of any appropriation from
the General Fund to the special fund that:

A. exceeds the required appropriation under this paragraph;

and

B. is identified as an appropriation for reimbursement under
this paragraph.
(3) (i) The Governor shall include in each of the annual budget bills for fiscal year 2019 [through fiscal year 2024] AND FISCAL YEARS 2021 THROUGH 2025 a General Fund appropriation to the special fund in the amount of $6,000,000 and for fiscal year [2025] 2026 a General Fund appropriation to the special fund in the amount of $4,000,000 for park development and the critical maintenance of State projects located on lands managed by the Department of Natural Resources for public purposes.

(ii) The appropriations required under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph:

1. represent reimbursement for 44.4% of the cumulative amount of any appropriation or transfer from the special fund to the General Fund for fiscal year 2006;

2. are not subject to the provisions of subsections (a), (b), (c), and (f) of this section;

3. shall be made until the cumulative total amount appropriated under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph is equal to $40,000,000; and

4. shall be reduced by the amount of any appropriation from the General Fund to the special fund that:

A. exceeds the required appropriation under this paragraph;

B. is identified as an appropriation for reimbursement under this paragraph; and

C. supplements rather than supplants the Department of Natural Resources funding for the critical maintenance of State projects on State lands, based on the average critical maintenance budget of the 10 years preceding the appropriation.

(4) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, the Governor shall appropriate from the General Fund to the special fund an amount equal to $152,165,700, WHICH EQUALS the cumulative amount of the appropriations or transfers from the special fund to the General Fund for fiscal years 2016, 2017, and 2018, less $72,000,000.

(ii) The Governor shall appropriate at least:

1. [one-third of the amount required under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph] $25,360,950 on or before June 30, 2021;

2. [two-thirds of the amount required under subparagraph
(i) of this paragraph] AN ADDITIONAL $50,721,900 on or before June 30, 2025; [and]

3. [the total amount required under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph] AN ADDITIONAL $50,721,900 on or before June 30, 2029; AND

4. AN ADDITIONAL $25,360,950 ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2030.

(iii) The appropriations required under subparagraphs (i) and (ii) of this paragraph:

1. represent reimbursement for the cumulative amount of any appropriation or transfer from the special fund to the General Fund for fiscal years 2016, 2017, and 2018, less $72,000,000;

2. are not subject to the provisions of subsections (a), (b), (c), and (f) of this section;

3. shall be allocated as provided in subsection (d) of this section and § 5–903 of the Natural Resources Article;

4. shall be made until the cumulative total appropriated under subparagraphs (i) and (ii) of this paragraph is equal to the cumulative amount of any appropriation or transfer from the special fund to the General Fund for fiscal years 2016, 2017, and 2018, less $72,000,000; and

5. shall be reduced by the amount of any appropriation from the General Fund to the special fund that:

A. exceeds the required appropriation under this paragraph;

and

B. is identified as an appropriation for reimbursement under this paragraph.


SECTION 16. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, in addition to any other revenue generated under § 19–214 of the Health – General Article, as amended by this Act:

(c) (1) For fiscal year 2015 and 2016, the Commission and the Maryland Department of Health shall adopt policies that will provide up to $389,825,000 in special fund revenues from hospital assessment and remittance revenue.
(2) For fiscal year 2017, the Governor shall reduce the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment by $25,000,000 over the assessment level for the prior year.

(3) For fiscal year 2018, the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment shall be $364,825,000.

(4) For fiscal year 2019, the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment shall be $334,825,000.

(5) For fiscal year 2020, the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment shall be $309,825,000.

(6) For fiscal year 2021, the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment shall be $294,825,000.

(7) For fiscal year 2022, the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment shall be $259,825,000.

[(6)] (8) Beginning with the state budget submission for fiscal year [2021] 2023, the Governor shall reduce the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment annually by $25,000,000 over the assessment level for the prior fiscal year.

[(7)] (9) To the extent that the Commission takes other actions that reduce Medicaid costs, those savings shall also be used to reduce the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment.

[(8)] (10) To the maximum extent possible, the Commission and the Maryland Department of Health shall adopt policies that preserve the State’s Medicare waiver.

Chapter 364 of the Acts of 2017

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That for fiscal years 2018, 2019, AND 2020, [2021, and 2022,] in each year, $1,500,000 shall be transferred from the Strategic Energy Investment Fund established under § 9–20B–05 of the State Government Article to the Maryland Energy Innovation Fund established under § 10–835 of the Economic Development Article, as enacted by Section 2 of this Act.

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SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, for fiscal year 2021 only, $400,000 from the balance in the Board of Physicians Fund under § 14–207 of the Health Occupations Article may be used for the Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Physicians and Physician Assistants administered by the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

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SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, for fiscal years 2021 through 2024, $5,000,000 of the distribution to Baltimore City under § 8–403 of the Transportation Article shall instead be distributed to the Maryland Department of Transportation to support capital improvements for the Howard Street Tunnel.

SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, on or before June 30, 2021, the Governor may transfer $43,860,950 of the balance designated for Program Open Space Repayment in the Dedicated Purpose Account to the General Fund.

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(1) $50,000,000 of funding for the State Retirement and Pension System reinvestment contributions; and

(2) $12,000,000 of funding for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority’s capital program.

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