HOUSE BILL 189

O1 HB 746/20 – APP (PRE–FILED)

By: Delegate Qi

Requested: August 19, 2020

Introduced and read first time: January 13, 2021

Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Mobile Laundry for the Homeless Pilot Program

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Mobile Laundry for the Homeless Pilot Program in the 4 Division of Neighborhood Revitalization; providing for the purpose of the Pilot 5 Program; requiring the Division to administer the Pilot Program; requiring the 6 Division to award funds under the Pilot Program through certain grants to establish 7 certain mobile laundry services for the homeless; establishing certain eligibility 8 requirements; authorizing in-kind contributions to be used to meet a certain 9 requirement; requiring the Division to rate positively certain nonprofit organizations 10 in selecting applicants to which grants will be awarded; requiring the Division to 11 establish a certain system of outcome measurement; requiring recipients of a grant 12 under the Pilot Program to submit certain information to the Division; requiring the 13 Division to submit to the Department of Housing and Community Development 14 certain information on or before a certain date; requiring the Department to evaluate 15 the effectiveness of the Pilot Program and make a certain recommendation to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; defining certain 16 17 terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Mobile 18 Laundry for the Homeless Pilot Program.

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Article – Housing and Community Development

Section 6–801 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 8. Mobile Laundry for the

22 Homeless Pilot Program"

Annotated Code of Maryland

24 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

25 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

26 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Housing and Community Development



- 1 SUBTITLE 8. MOBILE LAUNDRY FOR THE HOMELESS PILOT PROGRAM.
- 2 **6–801.**
- 3 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
- 4 INDICATED.
- 5 (2) "DIVISION" MEANS THE DIVISION OF NEIGHBORHOOD
- 6 REVITALIZATION IN THE DEPARTMENT.
- 7 (3) "MOBILE LAUNDRY SERVICES" MEANS THE WASHING, DRYING,
- 8 AND FOLDING OF CLOTHES PERFORMED FROM A VEHICLE EQUIPPED WITH WASHING
- 9 AND DRYING MACHINES.
- 10 (4) "PILOT PROGRAM" MEANS THE MOBILE LAUNDRY FOR THE
- 11 HOMELESS PILOT PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS
- 12 SECTION.
- 13 (B) (1) THERE IS A MOBILE LAUNDRY FOR THE HOMELESS PILOT
- 14 PROGRAM IN THE DIVISION.
- 15 (2) THE PURPOSE OF THE PILOT PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO
- 16 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO ESTABLISH OR EXPAND MOBILE LAUNDRY
- 17 SERVICES FOR THE HOMELESS.
- 18 (C) THE DIVISION SHALL ADMINISTER THE PILOT PROGRAM.
- 19 (D) THE DIVISION SHALL AWARD FUNDS UNDER THE PILOT PROGRAM
- 20 THROUGH A MATCHING GRANT TO ESTABLISH MOBILE LAUNDRY SERVICES FOR THE
- 21 HOMELESS THAT:
- 22 (1) SERVE HOMELESS POPULATIONS THAT LACK ACCESS TO CLEAN
- 23 WATER AND LAUNDRY SERVICES; AND
- 24 (2) INTEGRATE DELIVERY OF LAUNDRY SERVICES WITH OTHER
- 25 SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE APPLICANT.
- 26 (E) (1) TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A GRANT UNDER THE PILOT PROGRAM, A
- 27 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION MUST:
- 28 (I) HAVE A MISSION THAT INCLUDES SERVICE TO THE
- 29 HOMELESS; AND

- 1 (II) SECURE CONTRIBUTIONS IN AN AMOUNT OF MONEY OR 2 OTHER CONSIDERATION AT LEAST EQUAL IN VALUE TO HALF THE AMOUNT OF
- 3 FUNDING SOUGHT UNDER THE PILOT PROGRAM.
- 4 (2) IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS MAY BE USED TO MEET THE 5 REQUIREMENT OF PARAGRAPH (1)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- 6 (3) IN SELECTING APPLICANTS TO WHICH GRANTS WILL BE AWARDED UNDER THE PILOT PROGRAM, THE DIVISION SHALL POSITIVELY RATE APPLICANTS
- 8 **THAT:**
- 9 (I) DEMONSTRATE FISCAL CONTROLS, INCLUDING BY MAKING 10 USE OF MULTIPLE SOURCES OF FUNDING;
- 11 (II) EXHIBIT PROJECT EFFECTIVENESS, INCLUDING BY
- 12 SHOWING HOW A GRANT AWARDED UNDER THE PILOT PROGRAM WILL BE USED TO
- 13 AUGMENT EXISTING SERVICES TO CREATE SEAMLESS SERVICES FOR THE
- 14 HOMELESS;
- 15 (III) SHOW PREVIOUS SUCCESSFUL EXPERIENCE
- 16 ADMINISTERING GRANTS; AND
- 17 (IV) MEET ANY OTHER CRITERIA THE DIVISION CONSIDERS
- 18 **RELEVANT.**
- 19 **(F) (1)** THE DIVISION SHALL ESTABLISH A SYSTEM OF OUTCOME 20 MEASUREMENT TO ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PILOT PROGRAM.
- 21 (2) A RECIPIENT OF A GRANT UNDER THE PILOT PROGRAM SHALL
- 22 SUBMIT ANY INFORMATION THAT THE DIVISION DETERMINES IS NECESSARY FOR
- 23 THE SYSTEM OF OUTCOME MEASUREMENT.
- 24 (3) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2023, THE DIVISION SHALL SUBMIT
- 25 TO THE DEPARTMENT THE OUTCOMES OF THE PILOT PROGRAM MEASURED UNDER
- 26 THIS SUBSECTION.
- 27 (G) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 15, 2024, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 28 EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PILOT PROGRAM AND MAKE A
- 29 RECOMMENDATION TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–1257 OF
- 30 THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON WHETHER THE
- 31 PILOT PROGRAM SHOULD CONTINUE TO OPERATE.
- 32 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- October 1, 2021. It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of September

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- 1 30, 2025, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be
- $2\quad abrogated \ and \ of \ no \ further \ force \ and \ effect.$