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Department of Legislative Services
Annapolis, Maryland

June 2010

Review of Legislative Committees Authorized to Function During the 2010 Legislative Interim

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- Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs
- Finance
- Judicial Proceedings

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- Appropriations
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- Health and Government Operations
- Judiciary
- Ways and Means

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- BRAC, Joint Committee on
- Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Areas, Joint Committee on
- Children, Youth, and Families, Joint Committee on
- Fair Practices and State Personnel Oversight, Joint Committee on
- Federal Relations, Joint Committee on
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- Legislative Ethics, Joint Committee on
- Management of Public Funds, Joint Committee on the
- Mental Health Services, Joint Committee on Access to
- Spending Affordability Committee

- Information Technology and Biotechnology, Joint Committee on
- Unemployment Insurance Oversight, Joint Committee on
- Welfare Reform, Joint Committee on
- Workers' Compensation Insurance and Benefits Oversight Committee

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- Pensions, Joint Committee on
- Program Open Space/Agricultural Land Preservation, Joint Subcommittee on
- State, County, and Municipal Fiscal Relationships, Joint Legislative Workgroup to Study

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May 26, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman
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Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am writing to you regarding the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee's 2010 interim schedule. Although a formal interim agenda has not yet been finalized, the committee is planning a productive interim. Although progress was made last session with regard to the State's fiscal condition, much work remains. We anticipate briefings in the fall that will focus on the State's fiscal situation. In addition, as always if matters arise that require the immediate attention of the committee, briefings will be scheduled.

The subcommittees will also meet as needed, based on any issues that arise during the 2010 interim.

The committee is looking forward to an interesting and productive interim. As always, your input regarding our interim schedule and participation in any of the meetings is welcome.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ulysses Currie".

Ulysses Currie

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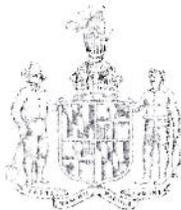
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May 10, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am writing in response to your request for an agenda of the proposed 2010 interim work of the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee. During the past three legislative interims the committee has participated in site visits, briefings, and studies relevant to its subject matter jurisdiction in order to properly prepare for the upcoming legislative session. However, because the official membership of the committee for the 2011 legislative session will not be determined until after the general election in November, the full committee will not meet prior to the election.

Although the full committee will not meet, subcommittees of the committee may convene if there are issues that require study or if there are issues referred to them by the Legislative Policy Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

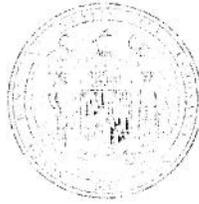
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May 27, 2010

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The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Senate Finance Committee may meet one time during the 2010 interim for briefings on several issues. If the committee meets during the interim, it is anticipated that the meeting will be held in early December. The committee may wait until early in the 2011 session to hear the briefings.

Among others, briefings that may be planned include (1) a report by the Commissioner of Financial Regulation, in consultation with the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General, on any recommendations by its study workgroup as to the best way to regulate the debt settlement services industry (Chapters 338 and 339 of 2010); and (2) an update on the implementation of federal health care reform in the State.

As in prior years, the members of the committee will be participating on a number of commissions, task forces, and oversight committees, including the Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight; the Workers' Compensation Benefit and Insurance Oversight Committee; the Joint Committee on Health Care Delivery and Financing; the Joint Committee on Access to Mental Health Services; the Joint Committee on Fair Practices; the Joint Committee on Welfare Reform; the Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families; the Joint Information Technology and Biotechnology Committee; the Task Force on Minority Business Enterprise Program and Equity Investment Capital; and the Task Force to Study Nanobiotechnology.

Please contact me or the committee staff, Tami Burt, Marie Grant, or Andrew Johnston at (410) 946-5530 if you have questions concerning this schedule.

Very truly yours,

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Thomas McLain Middleton

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May 24, 2010

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The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This is in response to your memorandum requesting a tentative agenda from the Judicial Proceedings Committee for the 2010 interim.

Unless an issue demanding immediate attention should arise, the committee will not meet during the interim.

Sincerely,

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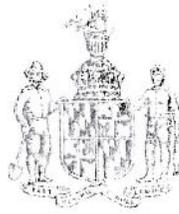
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The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
The Honorable Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am pleased to provide the 2010 interim schedule for the House Appropriations Committee and its standing subcommittees to the Legislative Policy Committee. Due to the State's fiscal situation the committee has not planned any site visits this interim.

However, I am planning to schedule several full committee briefings in Annapolis. During the summer, I plan to hold a briefing on the State's economic outlook and fiscal situation. Sometime during the late summer or early fall, I plan to hold a half day briefing on several important issues, including Race to the Top and local management board funding. In the fall, the committee will hold the traditional fiscal briefing jointly with the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, and Spending Affordability Committee. In December, the committee will conclude its interim work with a committee retreat to prepare for the 2011 legislative session.

I welcome any suggestions you may have for the committee's and subcommittees' work during this interim.

Sincerely,

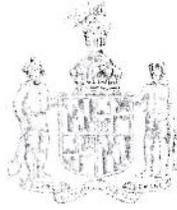
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is in response to your letter requesting a tentative agenda and proposed meeting schedule of the House Economic Matters Committee. Although the committee accomplished much during the 2010 legislative session, we have identified a few issues that require further work during the interim.

The full committee will meet on general issues as needed starting in November. Additionally, subcommittees may meet periodically throughout the interim as matters are referred to them.

In the area of labor and industry, during the 2010 session, the committee considered legislation requiring the regulation of demolition contractors. Although House Bill 912 did not pass, the committee believes that the issues that it raised merit further consideration and development during the 2010 interim.

A number of companies attempting to hire or promote employees with a low risk of theft or other negative behaviors use credit reports to make such a determination. House Bill 175 would have allowed an employer to request the credit report of an applicant for hire if the employer has a bona fide work-related purpose or if the applicant has received an offer of employment and the information included in the report is not used for a purpose that is prohibited by the bill. The committee believes that further study of the issues raised by this bill during the interim will assist in developing a better understanding of how credit reports are used and in crafting an appropriate approach to ensure fairness to employers and applicants.

The committee intends to review the work of executive agencies in a number of areas. As part of the winery modernization legislation enacted during the 2010 session, the Office of the

Comptroller is required to study issues relating to the direct shipment of wine to consumers in the State. The committee will review the results of this study.

In addition, several bills were introduced on the topic of coverage for damage to residential dwellings based on breaks in water and sewer utilities. The committee intends to monitor a study of the issue undertaken during this interim by the Maryland Insurance Commissioner.

Legislation passed during the 2010 session requires the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation to conduct a study of the debt settlement services industry to determine the best manner of regulating the industry. The committee will review the results of this study.

The committee will also review the measures taken by the Public Service Commission to improve the quality and accessibility of information relating to electric customer choice on the commission's website, as well as other customer education materials and practices that may be implemented during this interim. The committee feels that accurate and prominent information on customer choice must be presented to our citizens in order to ensure that they can make the best informed decisions on electricity supply. In addition, the committee will closely follow the implementation of policies relating to competitive electricity supply to see that it is fairly and openly available in all service territories that are open to competition. The committee will also keep an eye on the status of proposed regulatory changes to telecommunications services.

In addition to these specific study topics, and with appropriate approvals, the interim schedule may include modest site visits and informational briefings. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

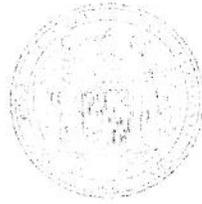
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The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am pleased to submit the following agenda for the Environmental Matters Committee for the 2010 interim. The committee has identified several issues for study that stem from either on-going concerns or legislation considered during the 2010 session. In light of tight budget constraints, the committee will conduct the bulk of its work by way of briefings in the fall or at the beginning of the 2011 session.

In addition, the committee will continue to monitor the progress of various task forces and commissions that were created by legislation passed by this committee in recent years, several of which include committee delegates as appointed members.

Briefings

Recycling and Waste Reduction

In recent years, the committee has considered various bills relating to recycling and waste reduction. Among those bills include establishing returnable deposits on specified beverage containers and requiring retail establishments to charge and collect a fee for each plastic bag provided to a consumer. While these bills have not been successful in past legislative sessions, the committee believes that recycling and waste reduction are important issues that deserve continuing evaluation. The committee also intends to evaluate emerging technologies, such as reverse vending, that support recycling efforts. Finally, the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) is required to submit an interim report by December 15, 2010, on recycling and waste reduction. The committee intends to include the findings of MDE's study in its evaluation.

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Chesapeake Bay Restoration

For several decades, various efforts have been made to restore the health of the Chesapeake Bay, including establishing bay-wide restoration goals. Unfortunately, the restoration goals have not been met. In fact, due to population growth and related development, conditions have actually deteriorated in some locations in recent years. In response to failing restoration policies, a new framework is emerging that emphasizes stronger federal oversight over the restoration process. Key elements of this framework include a May 2009 federal executive order on Chesapeake Bay Restoration and Protection, the creation of two-year restoration policy milestones, and the development of a bay-wide Total Maximum Daily Load for pollutants. Additionally, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation, its co-plaintiffs, and the Environmental Protection Agency recently settled their lawsuit by entering into a binding agreement that will require pollution to be reduced across the bay watershed. The committee intends to monitor the impact of these emerging restoration policies on the State's responsibility for bay restoration.

Properties in Foreclosure

Unfortunately, despite significant improvements, the foreclosure of residential real properties continues to plague the State. During the past couple of years, both the State and federal governments have launched various programs to prevent foreclosures or assist homeowners in the middle of a foreclosure event. *The Baltimore Sun* reported on May 19, 2010, that Maryland borrowers in imminent danger of losing their homes hit 4% in March for the first time on record as lenders stepped up the pace of new foreclosure proceedings; all told, almost 14% of Maryland borrowers are behind, including those in the foreclosure process and those just a month late on payments. Another growing concern is the stability of the mortgages in the commercial real estate sector, due largely to continued unemployment and business bankruptcies and declining property values. The committee will continue to monitor the impact of federal financial assistance programs and recent changes to federal and State laws governing the foreclosure process.

Motor Vehicle Towing

During the 2010 session, the committee considered various bills relating to motor vehicle towing. House Bill 1120 (failed) would have implemented the recommendations of the Task Force to Study Motor Vehicle Towing Practices for private, nonconsensual towing, including recommendations regarding towing regulation, civil and criminal towing penalties, consumer protection measures, and processes for the disposal of unclaimed motor vehicles. House Bill 1193 (failed) would have required a police department, or its contractor, that takes an abandoned vehicle into custody to make the vehicle available to the vehicle's owner or other

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specified persons of interest for inspection or retrieval of personal property not attached to the vehicle. Finally, House Bill 38 (failed) would have repealed the authority of a person to transfer specified abandoned vehicles (known as “hulks”) to an automotive dismantler, recycler, or scrap processor without supplying a title certificate or complying with notice procedures. Although the committee spent considerable time examining the issues raised by these bills, none of the bills were enacted. The committee intends to continue to examine these issues in anticipation of further legislation expected to be introduced during the 2011 session.

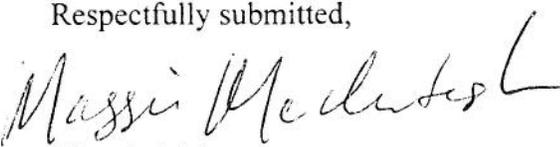
Task Forces and Commissions

- *Task Force on the Future for Growth and Development in Maryland* – (Chapter 381 of 2006 (House Bill 1141)); reauthorized by Chapter 626 of 2007 (House Bill 773) – membership includes two delegates from the Environmental Matters Committee (Delegates Rudolph C. Cane and Virginia P. Clagett) – task force terminates December 31, 2010.
- *Maryland Clean Car and Energy Policy Task Force* (Chapters 111 and 112 of 2007 (Senate Bill 103 and House Bill 131)) – membership includes one delegate from the Environmental Matters Committee (Delegate Elizabeth Bobo) – report due annually December 31, until the task force terminates December 31, 2010.
- *BayStat Program* (generally codified by Chapter 120 of 2008 (Senate Bill 213) and Chapter 121 of 2008 (House Bill 369)) – report due annually.
- *Joint Subcommittee on Program Open Space and Agricultural Land Preservation* (established by the Legislative Policy Committee in 1991) – membership includes three delegates from the Environmental Matters Committee (Delegates Elizabeth Bobo, Virginia P. Clagett, and Paul S. Stull).

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,



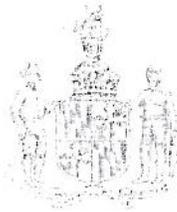
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Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is in response to your memorandum dated April 30, 2010, requesting a tentative agenda and proposed meeting schedule for the House Health and Government Operations Committee for the 2010 interim. Although the Health and Government Operations Committee has no plans to meet during the interim, the committee has requested reports and will monitor developments in the following areas:

- health insurance payments to nonparticipating providers;
- criteria health insurers use to underwrite and deny coverage;
- rates for freestanding medical facility pilot projects;
- uniform incident reporting for residential child care facilities;
- abusive employees in health care facilities;
- the number of veterans in civilian health care provider positions;
- State use of green buildings;
- use of compost as fertilizer on State property;
- expungement of health care provider disciplinary records;
- fund balance for the State Board of Chiropractors;
- pharmacists' ability to perform certain lab tests;

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- financial matters relating to long-term care facilities;
- the long-term care ombudsman program;
- establishment of a biomonitoring program;
- minors' access to health care treatment;
- rate-setting for developmental disability and mental health providers; and
- the Cigarette Restitution Fund.

The committee will also be working on implementation of federal health care reform by participating in the Health Care Reform Coordinating Council.

In addition to the issues described above, the House Health and Government Operations Committee is prepared to handle any other issues that arise or any matters referred by the Legislative Policy Committee.

Sincerely,



Delegate Peter A. Hammen, Chairman
Health and Government Operations Committee

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Ms. Lynne B. Porter

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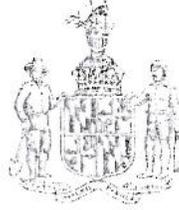
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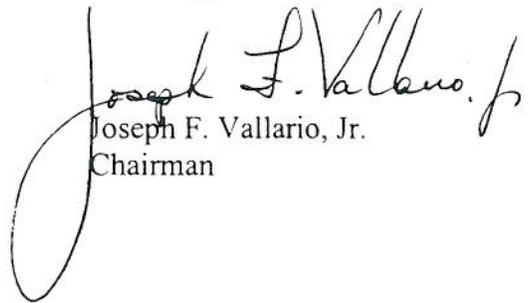
May 25, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At this time, the Judiciary Committee does not have any firm plans to meet this interim. However, after the general election, the committee may meet if necessary to examine any significant issues that arise during the course of the interim.

Sincerely,


Joseph F. Vallario, Jr.
Chairman

cc: Karl S. Aro
Warren G. Deschenaux

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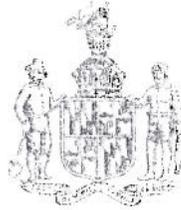
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Ways and Means Committee



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May 8, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker of the House
The Honorable Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In consideration of the 2010 election cycle, the Ways and Means Committee currently has a light interim schedule, with a likely fiscal briefing in the fall and the annual committee retreat tentatively scheduled for December. It is possible that the committee will have one or two additional briefings in the fall – if any briefings are scheduled, I will bring those to your attention at the appropriate time.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sheila E. Hixson".

Sheila E. Hixson
Chairman

SEH/JRB

cc: Lynne B. Porter

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MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE, EXECUTIVE, AND LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

May 18, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chair
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chair
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

As in previous years, the Joint Committee on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review (AELR) anticipates that its 2010 interim agenda and meeting schedule will be largely determined by the nature and frequency of proposed emergency and nonemergency regulations submitted to the committee for review, which cannot be predicted at this time. The committee will continue to endeavor to keep its meeting schedule during the interim to a minimum by consolidating as much work as possible on those days when meetings are necessary.

Sincerely,

Anne Healey /MR

Delegate Anne Healey
House Chairman

Paul G. Pinsky /MR

Senator Paul G. Pinsky
Senate Chairman

AH/PGP/MR/kll

cc: Lynne B. Porter
Michael I. Volk



MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JOINT AUDIT COMMITTEE

May 27, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Joint Audit Committee has identified issues to be reviewed during the 2010 interim. The committee's proposed schedule for hearing several audits performed by the Legislative Auditor is enclosed.

Please contact the committee staff, Karen Morgan or Lisa Simpson, at (410) 946-5510 if you have questions concerning this schedule.

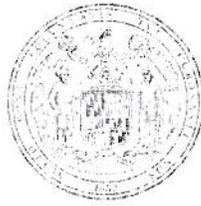
Sincerely,


Senator Verna L. Jones
Senate Chairman


Delegate Steven J. DeBoy, Sr.
House Chairman

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Enclosure



MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JOINT AUDIT COMMITTEE

Joint Audit Committee
2010 Interim – Schedule

Location: Joint Hearing Room – 90 State Circle, Annapolis, Maryland

Delegate Steven J. DeBoy, Sr.
Senator Verna L. Jones

July 20, 2010 (Tuesday) @ 1:00 – Audits to Be Presented in Annapolis

- Certain audits yet to be issued

November 9, 2010 (Tuesday) @ 1:00 – Audits to Be Presented in Annapolis

- Certain audits yet to be issued

**December 14, 2010 (Tuesday) @ 1:00 – Audits to Be Presented in Annapolis/
Items for Consideration**

- Certain audits yet to be issued
- Repeat Audit Findings
- Fraud Hotline Update

Committee Staff: Karen D. Morgan and Lisa J. Simpson (410) 946-5530

Note: Meetings are subject to change. The hearing schedule will contain the most up to date information.



MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JOINT COMMITTEE ON BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE

June 3, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At this time, the Joint Committee on Base Realignment and Closure does not have any firm plans to meet this interim. However, after the general election, a meeting will be scheduled to bring the committee up to date on BRAC-related issues.

Sincerely,

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Senator Roy P. Dyson
Co-chairman

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Delegate David D. Rudolph
Co-chairman

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**Maryland General Assembly
Joint Committee on the Chesapeake and Atlantic
Coastal Bays Critical Area**

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THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

June 2, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are writing in response to your request for an agenda of the proposed 2010 interim work of the Joint Committee on the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area.

During the 2009 interim, the joint committee continued to monitor the implementation of Chapter 119 of 2008 (Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Protection Program – Administrative and Enforcement Provisions), which enacted specific recommendations that resulted from a 2007 comprehensive review of the critical area law. During the 2010 interim, the joint committee intends to continue to monitor the implementation of this legislation and the corresponding proposed regulations to ensure compliance with legislative intent and to determine if any further legislation is necessary.

In addition, during the 2009 interim, the joint committee monitored the implementation of Chapter 280 of 2009 (Chesapeake Bay Nitrogen Reduction Act of 2009). That legislation requires all new or replacement onsite sewage disposal systems located in the critical area to use the best available nitrogen removal technology, and further requires the Department of the Environment to assist homeowners in upgrading to these septic systems with money from the Bay Restoration Fund. The joint committee raised concerns about the mechanism that the department established for providing this assistance. During the 2010 interim, the joint committee will monitor the effectiveness of the department's administrative response to these concerns.

The joint committee will meet to discuss these issues at some point during the interim. We will forward the date of the meeting as soon as it is scheduled.

We will be pleased to forward any additional information that you may require.

Respectfully submitted,

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Delegate Barbara A. Frush
Presiding Chair

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Senator Roy P. Dyson
Senate Chair

BAF:RPD/TPT/kjl

cc: Lynne B. Porter

**Maryland General Assembly
Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families
2010 Interim
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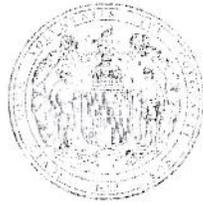
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MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

June 3, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
The Honorable Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Respectfully submitted for your review is the proposed interim schedule for the Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families. The joint committee will continue to monitor Maryland programs that focus on children, youth, and families. The joint committee is planning at least three meetings in Annapolis. The meetings are currently scheduled to occur on July 21, at 10:00 a.m.; September 22, at 10:00 a.m.; and one meeting in the fall on a date yet to be determined. All of the meetings will take place in the House of Delegates Ways and Means Committee hearing room.

The July meeting topics include an update on trends in the child well-being indicators used by the Children's Cabinet to measure progress in improving child well-being and a presentation by the Children's Cabinet on proposed changes to the results and indicators. The second meeting will focus on Children Successful in School, one of the indicators the State uses to describe the well-being of Maryland children. The final meeting will be a wrap-up meeting to include a briefing on administration initiatives related to children and families and any follow-up items from the first two meetings.

We look forward to a productive interim and welcome your participation in our activities.

Sincerely,

Anne R. Kaiser
Presiding House Co-chair

Nancy J. King
Senate Co-chair

ARK:NJK/SDM/arr

cc: Mr. Karl S. Aro
Mr. Warren G. Deschenaux
Ms. Lynne Porter



THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

Joint Committee on Federal Relations

May 27, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
The Honorable Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

During the 2010 interim, the Joint Committee on Federal Relations may meet with members of the Maryland congressional delegation as it has done in years past. In addition, the committee may meet to hold briefings on topics of interest to the committee, including updates on the effects of the economic stimulus as well as preparation for and implementation of the federal health care reform bill. The committee may also hold a work session on the following interstate compacts which are slated for review in 2010:

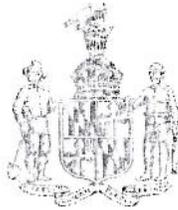
- Tri-State Agreement on Chesapeake Bay;
- Interstate Mining Compact;
- Non-Resident Violator Compact;
- Interstate Oil Compact;
- Interstate Compact on the Potomac River Basin;
- Maryland-Virginia Potomac River Compact of 1958;
- Southern Interstate Energy Compact; and
- Susquehanna River Basin Compact.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Senator Jennie M. Forehand
Senate Chairman (Presiding)

JMF/SKV/mpc



THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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May 25, 2010

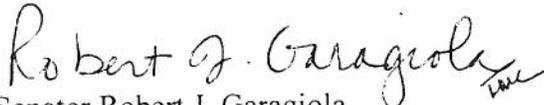
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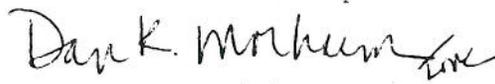
Ladies and Gentlemen:

We respectfully submit to you the tentative 2010 interim schedule for the Joint Committee on Health Care Delivery and Financing. The interim schedule includes as its primary focus briefings on the national health care reform legislation, including State implementation. In addition, the committee is planning to hold a briefing on long term care, end-of-life issues, alcohol and substance abuse, and the all-payer system.

The committee looks forward to an interesting and productive interim.

Sincerely,


Senator Robert J. Garagiola
Senate Chairman


Delegate Dan K. Morhaim
House Chairman

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Joint Committee on Health Care Delivery and Financing

Senator Robert J. Garagiola, Senate Chairman
Delegate Dan K. Morhaim, House Chairman

2010 Interim Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Tuesday, June 15	10:00 a.m.	National Health Care Reform: General overview
September	TBD	Long Term Care Issues: Update End-of-life Issues Alcohol and Substance Abuse All-payer System: Hospital-based physicians
November	TBD	State Implementation of National Health Care Reform: Discussion by the Maryland Insurance Administration, insurance carriers, and insurance brokers
December	TBD	State Implementation of National Health Care Reform: Discussion by health care providers, employers, and consumer advocates

**Maryland General Assembly
Joint Committee on Legislative Ethics**

2010 Membership Roster

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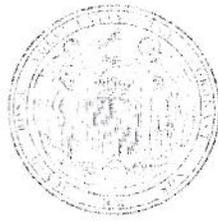
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MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS

May 14, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

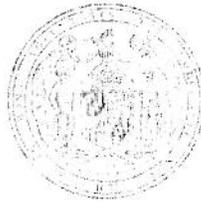
The Joint Committee on Legislative Ethics will continue its usual interim policy of scheduling meetings on an as-needed basis to address requests for ethics opinions and to review filings of disclosure and disclaimer forms. Additionally, the Joint Ethics Committee may be called upon to respond to ethics-related complaints and will schedule any such proceedings in the manner required by law.

Sincerely,

Norman R. Stone, Jr.
Senate Chairman

Brian K. McHale
House Chairman

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MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS

May 27, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
The Honorable Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This correspondence is to inform you of the tentative agenda for the Joint Committee on the Management of Public Funds for the 2010 interim. The items for the committees consideration will include an annual update of the State's fiscal conditions and economic forecast from the State Treasurer and the Comptroller, as well as hear from the Office of Legislative Audits regarding the findings of its annual audit on local governments.

The interim agenda is as follows:

- *August* – The committee will receive a briefing from the State Treasurer about the State's most recent bond issuance, maintenance of the State's AAA bond rating, and the current status of the market. In addition, the State Treasurer's Office will provide information on the types of debt that State agencies may issue, the security backing these debts, and current amounts and types of debt outstanding for each issuer.
- *October* – The committee will meet with the State Comptroller and the State Treasurer to discuss priorities and any proposed legislation for the 2011 session.
- *December* – The committee will hear from the Office of Legislative Audits about the annual audit of local governments.

We hope you find our proposed agenda informative and useful. We may amend this proposed agenda if other appropriate and relevant topics should emerge. We appreciate your interest and continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Senator Verna L. Jones
Senate Chair (Presiding)

Delegate Henry B. Heller
House Chair

VLJ:HBH/JH/mpc



THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

May 27, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is in response to your memorandum dated April 30, 2010, requesting a proposed meeting schedule and tentative agenda for the Joint Committee on Access to Mental Health Services for the 2010 interim. The committee plans to meet on at least one occasion this interim on the topics listed below.

Impact of Federal Health Care Legislation on Mental Health

The committee plans to hear from the National Conference of State Legislatures and Dr. Henry Harbin on the impact of federal health care reform and mental health parity on access to mental health services. This briefing may include a discussion of the development of enhanced provider networks and community settings for children resulting from the federal reform law.

Implementation of 2010 State Legislative Efforts

The committee will be requesting a briefing from the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene on the implementation of Chapter 498 of 2010, which requires the department to develop a plan to implement a rate-setting methodology for developmental disability and community mental health providers.

Housing for Individuals with Mental Illness

The lack of housing available to individuals with mental illness, especially those individuals reentering the community after incarceration, is a significant issue in the State. The committee plans to hold a briefing to examine efforts in Maryland to address this issue.

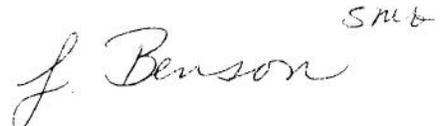
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The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee
May 27, 2008
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In addition to the topics listed above, the committee is prepared to address other issues impacting access to mental health services or any matters referred by the Legislative Policy Committee.

Sincerely,



Senator Delores G. Kelley
Senate Chair



Delegate Joanne C. Benson
House Chair

DGK:JCB/SMG/lab

Maryland General Assembly Spending Affordability Committee 2010 Membership Roster

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Senator Ulysses Currie, Senate Chairman

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MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SPENDING AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE

May 21, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Spending Affordability Committee's 2010 tentative interim schedule is attached for your information. The committee will hold three meetings beginning in the fall for purposes of setting spending affordability recommendations for fiscal 2012. The specific dates and times will be determined later this summer. Subjects include forecasts of revenues and expenditures for the current and future fiscal years as well as an overview of the Transportation Trust Fund, capital budget, State personnel, and other issues.

The committee is looking forward to an interesting and productive interim.

Sincerely,

Delegate John L. Bohanan, Jr.
Presiding Chairman

Senator Ulysses Currie
Senate Chairman

JLB:UC/ESS/kjl

Enclosure

cc: Ms. Lynne B. Porter

Spending Affordability Committee

Delegate John L. Bohanan, Jr., Presiding Chairman
Senator Ulysses Currie, Senate Chairman

2010 Interim Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Subject</u>
TBD	TBD	Briefing on Forecast of Revenues and Expenditures for the Current and Upcoming Fiscal Years (Joint with Senate Budget and Taxation, House Appropriations, and House Ways and Means Committees)
TBD	TBD	Briefing on Outyear Forecast, Overview of the Transportation Trust Fund, State Personnel, Debt, and the Capital Budget
TBD	TBD	Committee Decision Meeting

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**Maryland General Assembly
Joint Information Technology and Biotechnology Committee
2010 Membership Roster**

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THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

May 11, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman
The Honorable Michael Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

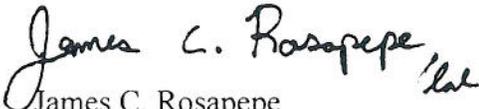
The Joint Information Technology and Biotechnology Committee respectfully submits its anticipated work plan for the 2010 interim. The joint committee's statutory charge is to "work to broaden the support, knowledge, and awareness of information technology and biotechnology to benefit the people of Maryland." The joint committee plans to hold one meeting during the fall.

At the meeting, the joint committee plans to hear briefings on the following issues:

- administration by the Stem Cell Research Commission of its stem cell research grant program; and
- an overview of Maryland's high technology manufacturing sector, as well as what the State can do to further promote this industry.

Please contact one of us or the committee staff, Tami Burt or Evan Isaacson, at (410) 946-5530 if you have questions concerning this schedule.

Respectfully submitted,


James C. Rosapepe
Senate Chairman


Brian J. Feldman
House Chairman

JCR:BJF/EMI/lab

cc: Mr. Karl Aro
Mr. Warren Deschenaux
Ms. Lynne Porter
Mr. Vicki Gruber
Mr. Patrick Murray
Mr. John Favazza
Ms. Kristin Jones



MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
COMMITTEE ON UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE OVERSIGHT

May 27, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight intends to hold two meetings during the 2010 interim. Most likely, the joint committee's proposed schedule will include a meeting in late November and a meeting in early December.

As you know, the joint committee was created pursuant to Chapters 50 and 51 of 2007 to continue the work of the Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight, which had expired at the end of 2006, and its predecessor, the Unemployment Insurance Funding Task Force. The joint committee was scheduled to expire at the end of 2010, however, Chapters 515 and 516 of 2010 make the joint committee permanent.

The joint committee may review the following issues:

- status of the balance of the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund which is impacted by (1) claim experience; and (2) as a result of the enactment of Chapter 2 of 2010 "Unemployment Insurance – Tax Deferral, Trust Fund Solvency, and Cost-Neutral Modernization Act," the anticipated infusion of \$126.8 million in federal funds, the implementation of unemployment insurance tax payment plans for employers, and the lowering of the interest rate on late unemployment insurance tax payments;
- as required under Chapter 2 of 2010, consideration of a cost-neutral plan to effectuate a graduated increase of the maximum weekly benefit to 54% of the average weekly wage (plan would include the determination of an appropriate earnings disregard calculation, as well as other benefit structure changes such as allowing variable duration for the receipt of benefits, rather than the current structure of a fixed 26-week period);
- as required under Chapters 515 and 516 of 2010, determination as to how unemployment insurance tax payments may be reduced for employing units that are engaged in seasonal industries and located in a county in which the average unemployment rate exceeds the average unemployment rate of the State; and

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee
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- as discussed when consideration was given to Senate Bill 500 of 2010 “Unemployment Insurance – Compensation for Lawyer or Agent Representation in Claim Proceedings” (failed), alteration of fees that a lawyer may charge for representing an unemployment insurance claimant in an appeals proceeding before a hearing examiner, a special examiner, or the Board of Appeals (current regulations allow a maximum fee of 150% of the claimant’s weekly benefit amount; the Unemployed Division has begun a process to determine an appropriate revision to these regulations which will include consideration of increasing the amount of the fee while ensuring that claimants’ financial interests are protected and allowing a lawyer to petition the Board of Appeals for a higher reasonable fee based on the complexity of a case).

The joint committee may request the small workgroup that developed the unified package under Chapter 2 of 2010 to reconvene in order to work through (1) the issue relating to the development of a cost-neutral plan to effectuate a graduated increase of the maximum weekly benefit to 54% of the average weekly wage; and (2) the issue relating to the determination of reducing unemployment insurance tax payments for employing units that are engaged in seasonal industries and located in high unemployment areas.

Please contact one of us or the committee staff, Tami Burt or Erica White, at (410) 946-5530, if you have questions concerning this schedule.

Sincerely,



Thomas McLain Middleton
Senate Chair



Herman L. Taylor, Jr.
House Chair

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cc: Mr. Karl Aro
Mr. Warren Deschenaux
Ms. Lynne Porter
Mr. Vicki Gruber
Mr. Patrick Murray
Mr. John Favazza
Ms. Kristin Jones

**Joint Committee on Welfare Reform
Maryland General Assembly
2010 Membership Roster**

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Delegate Talmadge Branch, Sr. House Chairman**

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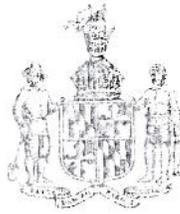
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THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

JOINT COMMITTEE ON WELFARE REFORM

May 17, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Speaker of the House
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Respectfully submitted for your review is the proposed interim schedule for the Joint Committee on Welfare Reform. The joint committee will continue to monitor Maryland's welfare program. The joint committee will also receive updates on activities of the Department of Human Resources including the Maryland RISE program, the response to the court-ordered improvements in the timeliness of eligibility determinations, the transitions in the child support program, and the impact of various funding issues.

The joint committee is planning at least one meeting in Annapolis in the House Appropriations Committee Hearing Room (Room 120 House Office Building) on a date still to be determined.

We look forward to a productive interim and welcome your participation in our activities.

Sincerely,

Nathaniel Exum
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Nathaniel Exum
Senate Chairman

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Talmadge Branch
House Chairman

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cc: Members, Joint Committee on Welfare Reform
Mr. Karl S. Aro

Ms. Lynne B. Porter
Mr. Michael I. Volk

Joint Committee on Welfare Reform
Senator Nathaniel Exum, Senate Chairman
Delegate Talmadge Branch, House Chairman

AGENDA

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Annapolis, Maryland

I. Call to Order

II. Chairmen's Opening Remarks

III. Department of Human Resources

1. Update on: welfare caseload reductions; participation in work activities and status of individuals reaching the federal two-year time limit on cash assistance without participating in a State-defined work activity; individuals reaching the five-year time limit; and substance abuse identification, referral, treatment, and treatment outcomes for welfare recipients.
2. An update on the State's corrective action plan to comply with the court order and the Department of Human Resources' progress in complying with the court order.
3. The effect the State's budget deficit will have on the use of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds and the Family Investment Program.
4. The impact of the anticipated decrease in the TANF balance at the close of fiscal 2011 on the Family Investment Program and TANF spending in the State.
5. An update on the effectiveness of the Maryland RISE initiative.
6. The effect of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provisions and funds on the Family Investment Program and Child Support Enforcement Program.
7. An update on the transition of Queen Anne's County child support operations to State operations and any changes in the new contract for continued privatized child support services in Baltimore City.
8. Any legislation that the department anticipates introducing in the 2011 session affecting the Family Investment Program or Child Support Enforcement Administration.

9. Status of the implementation of the recommendations of the Task Force to Study Incentives for Teen Parents to Stay in School.

IV. *Life After Welfare*

V. **Chairmen's Closing Remarks and Adjournment**



MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFIT AND INSURANCE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

May 27, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Joint Committee on Workers' Compensation Benefit and Insurance Oversight plans to hold one meeting during the 2010 interim. It is anticipated that the meeting will be held in early December 2010.

At this meeting, the committee will hear from the Workers' Compensation Commission's (WCC) study workgroup which was established under Chapters 616 (Senate Bill 863) and 617 (House Bill 899) of 2009 to propose revisions to the death benefit provisions for partially and wholly dependent individuals. In December 2009, the workgroup provided its recommendations for 2009 legislation as Senate Bill 953/House Bill 1318, however, the proposals were not enacted pending further review of an unresolved issue. The chairmen of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee sent a letter to WCC in April 2010 requesting that the workgroup reconvene in order to review the unresolved issue which concerns the cost implications of death benefits for dependents of county public safety personnel who qualify for the presumption provisions under the workers' compensation law.

As with prior interims, the committee plans to request the various interested parties to bring issues before the committee during the interim on issues that they intend to have introduced during the upcoming session. Further, the committee will hear annual reports from selected agencies with oversight over workers' compensation.

Please contact one of us or the committee staff, Tami Burt, Michael Vorgetts, or Erica White, at (410) 946-5530, if you have questions concerning this schedule.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Nathaniel Exum in cursive.

Senator Nathaniel Exum
Senate Chair

Handwritten signature of Carolyn Krysiak in cursive.

Delegate Carolyn Krysiak
House Chair

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May 27, 2010
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cc: Mr. Karl Aro
Mr. Warren Deschenaux
Ms. Lynne Porter
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Mr. Patrick Murray
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Maryland General Assembly Joint Committee on Pensions

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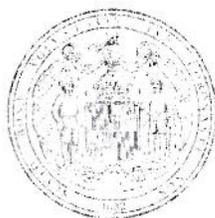
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MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
JOINT COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS

June 3, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Joint Committee on Pensions' 2010 tentative interim schedule includes the annual reports/overviews on investments, the supplemental retirement plans, board-requested legislation, and the most recent actuarial valuation.

We look forward to an interesting and productive interim.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathaniel J. McFadden
Senator Nathaniel J. McFadden
Co-Chairman *lal*

Melony G. Griffith
Delegate Melony G. Griffith
Co-Chairman *lal*

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cc: Mr. Karl S. Aro
Ms. Lynne B. Porter
Mr. Warren G. Deschenaux

Joint Committee on Pensions

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2010 Interim Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Subject</u>
Oct.	TBA	2 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board Requested Legislation
Nov.	TBA	2 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual State Retirement and Pension System Investment Overview• Annual Results of Fiscal 2008 Actuarial Valuation and Fiscal 2010 Contribution Rates• Decisions

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**Maryland General Assembly
Joint Subcommittee on Program Open Space and
Agricultural Land Preservation
2010 Interim
Membership Roster**

**Senator Thomas M. Middleton, Senate Chairman
Delegate Rudolph C. Cane, House Chairman**

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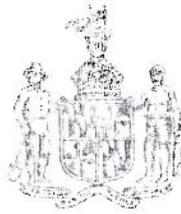
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THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

May 25, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Joint Subcommittee on Program Open Space and Agricultural Land Preservation respectfully submits a summary of its meeting schedule and the issues it intends to examine and review during the 2010 interim.

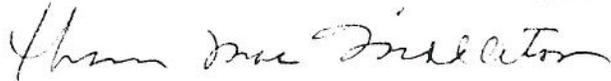
The subcommittee plans to hold one briefing this fall. The subcommittee will invite representatives from Maryland's Department of Agriculture, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Planning, and the Maryland Environmental Trust to discuss a number of issues related to Program Open Space (POS), the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Program (MALPP), the Rural Legacy Program, conservation easements, and land preservation in general. The following are some of the items the subcommittee will cover during the fall briefing:

- the impact of fiscal 2011 funding decisions and the outlook for fiscal 2012;
- how the federal government's renewed Chesapeake Bay restoration efforts may impact State land conservation programs;
- an update on MALPP policies concerning commercial uses (including natural gas drilling, mining, and solar and wind energy) on agricultural preservation land;
- an update on how the cost of land has affected acreage in the State's land conservation programs and how targeting POS property acquisitions and other land conservation innovations have furthered the land conservation goal of 1,030,000 acres preserved as stated in the 2002 Senate Joint Resolution 10;
- an update on the agencies' outreach efforts to minority farmers across the State; and
- an update on potential legislation for the upcoming 2011 session.

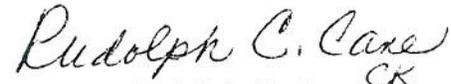
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The subcommittee looks forward to addressing the subject matter summarized above as well as other timely issues during the 2010 interim.

Sincerely,



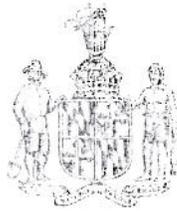
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Senate Chairman



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House Chairman

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cc: Ms. Lynne B. Porter



THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401-1991

**Joint Legislative Workgroup to Study State, County,
and Municipal Fiscal Relationships**

May 27, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In December 2009, the Joint Legislative Workgroup to Study State, County, and Municipal Fiscal Relationships made seven recommendations. The Workgroup currently plans to meet in early December to review the status of implementing these recommendations and to have a briefing on the fiscal condition of the counties and municipalities in order to determine if legislation should be enacted to address any issues. Should a need arise to meet prior to the December meeting, the workgroup will certainly be able to do so.

Sincerely,

Senator Edward J. Kasemeyer
Senate Chair

Delegate Adrienne A. Jones
House Chair

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**Maryland General Assembly
Senate Special Committee on Substance Abuse
2010 Interim
Membership Roster**

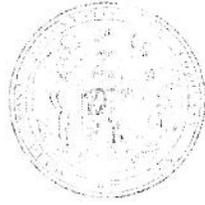
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THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SENATE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE

May 26, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., Co-Chairman
The Honorable Michael E. Busch, Co-Chairman
Members of the Legislative Policy Committee

Ladies and Gentlemen:

During the 2010 interim, the Senate Special Committee on Substance Abuse may meet to examine and discuss issues as may be expressed by the membership of the committee. Our meetings may include briefings on topics of interest to the committee. We expect to begin organizing any interim efforts in June.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nathaniel Exum".

Nathaniel Exum
Chair

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cc: Karl S. Aro
Warren G. Deschenaux
Members of the Senate Special Committee on Substance Abuse

General Assembly of Maryland
(GUIDELINES FOR COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES - 2010 LEGISLATIVE INTERIM)

(The President and the Speaker do not intend for these guidelines to require committees to meet on every date reserved for meetings.)

DATES RESERVED FOR:

<u>Legislative Policy Committee</u>	<u>Standing Committees</u>	<u>Statutory and Special Committees</u>
(Tuesday Meetings: 10:00 A.M.)	"ON-CYCLE" (Tuesday P.M./Wednesday Meetings)	"OFF-CYCLE" (Tuesday P.M./Wednesday Meetings)
	6/15 - 6/16	6/22 - 6/23
	6/29 - 6/30	7/6 - 7/7
	7/13 - 7/14	7/20 - 7/21
	8/3 - 8/4	8/10 - 8/11
	8/24 - 8/25	8/31 - 9/1
	9/7 - 9/8	9/21 - 9/22
	9/28 - 9/29	10/5 - 10/6
	10/12 - 10/13	10/19 - 10/20
	10/26 - 11/27	11/9 - 11/10
	11/16 - 11/17	11/30 - 12/1
	12/7 - 12/8	12/14 - 12/15
	12/21 - 12/22	

Note: Meetings of the Legislative Policy Committee, other than those noted, during the 2010 Legislative Interim are at the discretion of the Presiding Officers.

TBA End of Interim LPC Meeting
 TBA End of Interim LPC Mgmt. Subcommittee Meeting

(Note: Legislative Interim Committee Reports due to the Legislative Policy Committee by 12/28/2010)

National Conference of State Legislatures, Legislative Summit, Louisville, Kentucky – July 25-28, 2010
Eastern Regional Conference, Annual Meeting, Portland Maine – August 15-18, 2010
Primary Election, September 14, 2010/General Election (State Holiday), November 2, 2010
(Possible Mandatory Furlough Day, Wednesday, November 24, 2010/Thanksgiving Holiday, November 25, 2010)

Part III
**Legislation Related to the Legislative Policy
Committee as a Result of the 2010 Session**

Department of Legislative Services
Annapolis, Maryland

June 2010

Legislation Relating to the Legislative Policy Committee as a Result of the 2010 Session

Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners, State Board of

Extension of Sunset Provisions (House Bill 135/Chapter 133)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners by 10 years to July 1, 2022, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2021. The bill includes two reporting requirements. On or before October 1, 2010, the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners must submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and the House Health and Government Operations Committee regarding: 1) financial activities that contributed to the Board's fiscal year 2009 fund balance; 2) measures implemented during fiscal year 2010 to decrease the Board's fund balance and the impact of those measures; and 3) the Board's progress in maintaining an appropriate fund balance, meeting Managing for Results goals for complaint resolution and implementing formal data retrieval and analysis procedures.

Landscape Architects, State Board of Examiners of

Extension of Termination Date (House Bill 134/Chapter 132)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects to July 1, 2024, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2023. The bill includes a reporting requirement. On or before October 1, 2011, the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects, in conjunction with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, must submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, on its consideration of: 1) instituting a continuing education requirement for landscape architects; and 2) allowing individuals who have a college degree in a field related to landscape architecture to sit for the licensing examination under the academic option as described in Section 9-303 of the Business Occupations and Professions Article.

Optometry, State Board of Examiners in

Extension of Termination Date (Senate Bill 145/Chapter 236)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Examiners in Optometry by 10 years to July 1, 2023, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2022. The bill includes a requirement that the board submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on: the actions the Board has taken to monitor the decline in new licenses and the trends in the renewal of previously issued licenses and include any recommendations the Board has made to address the Board's findings; review future revenue and expenditure trends to determine if a fee increase may be necessary; and implement a biennial renewal cycle to maintain a more consistent fund balance.

Physical Therapy Examiners, State Board of

State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation (Senate Bill 146/Chapter 40)

The bill extends the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners until 2022. Also, the bill requires that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before a certain date and requiring the Board, in conjunction with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to submit a certain report on or before a certain date.

Pilots, State Board of

Extension of Termination Date (House Bill 133/Chapter 131)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Pilots for nine years to July 1, 2022, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2021. The bill includes a reporting requirement. The Board, in conjunction with DLLR, must report to the Senate EHE committee and the House ECM committee detailing the steps that have been taken to: 1) determine whether additional requirements, such as a federal pilot license, should be a requirement for State pilot licensing; 2) improve the Department's accounting of Board-related expenditures when staff are shared among several boards to ensure that the majority of Board-related costs, including personnel, are tracked; 3) increase the pilot-in-training application and licensing fees to reflect inflation and help offset Board expenses; 4) revise the draft levels associated with licenses in response to overall increases in vessel draft; 5) develop statutory, regulatory, or other provisions to ensure review and evaluation of the association's annual audits; and 6) improve the tracking of, and ensure compliance with, pilot continuing education requirements.

Plumbing, State Board of

Extension of Termination Date (House Bill 136/Chapter 134)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Plumbing by 10 years to July 1, 2023, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2022. The bill includes the following reporting requirement. On or before October 1, 2011, the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation must submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee on: 1) the status of efforts to restructure the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing to better serve the day-to-day operations of the State Board of Plumbing, particularly related to the Board's complaint backlog and other responsibilities; 2) the Board's disposition of consumer complaints going back to at least fiscal year 2006, including the Board's effectiveness in resolving complaints in a timely manner; 3) the imposition of fines on licensees or individuals who engage in malpractice, in particular the frequency and average amount of such fines and whether or not industry regulation and consumer protection would benefit from increasing fine amounts; 4) the size of the Board's fiscal year 2010 surplus or funding gap following the restructuring of the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing and any changes to the Board's

staffing or fees necessary to address the Board's fiscal status; and 5) whether the Board has been successful in filling the vacant consumer member seat.

Professional Land Surveyors, State Board for

State Board of Professional Land Surveyors – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation (Senate Bill 147/Chapter 41)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors by 11 years to July 1, 2024. The bill requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2023. The bills also include a related reporting requirement regarding the implementation of a board member training program.

Small Business Reserve Program

Procurement – Small Business Reserve Program – Sunset Extension (Senate Bill 71/Chapter 22)

This reauthorizes the Small Business Reserve (SBR) Program for six years, until September 30, 2016. The SBR program requires most State procurement units to structure their procurements so that at least 10% of the total dollar value of their procurements is made directly to small businesses.

State Board of Barbers and State Board of Cosmetologists

State Board of Barbers and State Board of Cosmetologists – Sunset Extension and Revisions (House Bill 197/Chapter 395 and SB 327)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Barbers and State Board of Cosmetologists by 10 years to July 1, 2021, and requires evaluation of the boards by July 1, 2020. The bills change various statutory provisions related to the regulation of barbers and cosmetologists in the State. In particular, the bills (1) make inspection procedures for beauty salons consistent with those of barbershops; (2) authorize the cosmetology board to increase license fees to up to \$50 for cosmetologists, senior cosmetologists, estheticians, and nail technicians; (3) change license renewal provisions for apprentice cosmetologists; and (4) require the boards to adopt regulations that detail curriculum standards for use by the State Board of Education or the Maryland Higher Education Commission in approving applications for instruction in the practice of barbering or cosmetology at public schools or private career schools. The bills also include a requirement that the boards submit reports to specified committees of the General Assembly on their implementation of specified recommendations made in the evaluation.

Waterworks and Waste System Operators, State Board of

Environment – State Board of Waterworks and Waste Systems Operators – Sunset Extension and Revisions (House Bill 487/Chapter 416)

The bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Waterworks and Waste Systems Operators from July 1, 2011, to July 1, 2021, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2020. The bill also requires that the board, in conjunction with MDE,

report to specified committees of the General Assembly by October 1, 2011, on several matters related to the board, including updating the board's databases. The board's composition is altered to replace the representative from DNR with a representative from the Maryland Environmental Service. Finally, the bill eliminates several obsolete provisions and also clarifies that it is the duty of MDE, and not the board, to enforce the requirement that facilities employ certified superintendents and operators.

Part IV
New Boards, Commissions, Task Forces,
Advisory Councils, etc.
Created by 2010 Legislation

Department of Legislative Services
Annapolis, Maryland

June 2010

Committees, Task Forces, Commissions, Etc. Created by 2010 Legislation

Chesapeake Conservation Corps Board

Chesapeake Conservation Corps Board (Senate Bill 311/Chapter 275 and House Bill 943/Chapter 276)

Establishing a Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program Board consisting of the following members:

- 1) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
- 2) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- 3) one member appointed by the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland with the advice and consent of the Senate, to serve as liaison between the Corps Board, the Chancellor, and the Board of Regents;
- 4) three members of the Board of Trustees of the Chesapeake Bay Trust, appointed by the Chair of the Board; and
- 5) five members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, including at least one individual from the not-for-profit sector with a background in education and student service and one with a background in workforce development.

Purpose: To advise the Trust in the development and implementation of the Corps Program.

Staff: The Trust must provide staff support for the Corps Board.

Report: The Trust, in consultation with the Corps Board, must also submit an annual report, containing specified information, by October 1 to the Governor and the General Assembly.

Governor's P-20 Leadership Council of Maryland

Education - Governor's P-20 Leadership Council of Maryland (Senate Bill 286, Chapter 191)

Establishing the Governor's P-20 Leadership Council of Maryland, created earlier by executive order, consisting of the following members:

1. the Governor or the Governor's designee;
2. the Secretary of Higher Education;
3. the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation;

4. the Secretary of Business and Economic Development;
5. the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland;
6. the State Superintendent of Schools;
7. the Chairman of the Maryland Higher Education Commission;
8. the Chair and the Executive Director of the Governor's Workforce Investment Board;
9. two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
10. two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate; and
11. the following members appointed by the Governor:
 - a. a member of the State Board of Education;
 - b. a representative of local superintendents of education;
 - c. a representative of local boards of education;
 - d. two members of employee organizations that represent elementary and secondary school personnel in the state;
 - e. a representative of elementary and secondary school principals;
 - f. two representatives of nonpublic elementary and secondary schools;
 - g. an expert in early childhood education;
 - h. an expert in career and technology education;
 - i. two representatives of community colleges;
 - j. two representatives of independent colleges or universities;
 - k. a representative of public institutions of higher education outside the University System of Maryland;
 - l. a representative of college or university deans who has responsibility for a science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) discipline;
 - m. four representatives of the University System of Maryland;
 - n. three representatives of the business community; and
 - o. six additional members with experience and knowledge that will benefit work of the council.

Purpose: The council is primarily charged with aligning pre-kindergarten through postsecondary education and ensuring that Maryland will produce and maintain a competitive workforce to meet the challenges of the 21st century by creating a partnership that includes the State, educators, and the business community.

The Council is empowered to investigate ways to improved education, advance workforce creation, and make the State more competitive through some or all of the following strategies:

1. ensuring that all students have the basic, critical thinking, and technical skills necessary to succeed in the modern workplace;
2. reducing dropout rates and increasing retention and graduation rates in high school and college;
3. improving student achievement and closing student achievement gaps;
4. improving teaching quality;

5. improving teacher retention;
6. strengthening and expanding educational leadership programs;
7. redesigning career and technology education programs to meet college expectations and employer needs;
8. expanding the availability of career and technology programs and high school centers;
9. strengthening STEM programs at the high school and college levels;
10. connecting high school expectations and college expectations with employer needs;
11. creating pathways for all students to obtain college degrees;
12. providing teachers the resources and professional training they need to help students reach high standards;
13. expanding opportunities for continuous learning;
14. aligning high school graduation requirements with college readiness requirements;
15. improving the connections between the pre-kindergarten, primary, secondary, and high education systems;
16. creating programs and incentives to encourage mutually beneficial relationships between schools, school systems, higher education, and the business community, and
17. any other strategies requested by the Governor or the General Assembly.

Chair: The bill establishes an executive committee that shall direct the Council in its work. The executive committee shall include the following members:

1. the Governor or the Governor's designee;
2. the Secretary of Higher Education;
3. the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation;
4. the Secretary of Business and Economic Development;
5. the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland; and
6. the State Superintendent of Schools.

Staff: Members of the executive committee that directs the Council's work must provide primary staff support for the council.

Report: An annual report of the council's work and any recommendations is due by December 15 of each year to the Governor and the General Assembly.

Growth Commission, Maryland Sustainable

Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission (Senate Bill 278/Chapter 489 and House Bill 474/Chapter 488)

Establishing the Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission, replacing the Task Force on the Future for Growth and Development in Maryland consisting of the following members:

- 1) two members of the House Environmental Matters Committee, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- 2) two members of the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee, appointed by the President of the Senate;
- 3) as ex-officio members:
 - i) the Secretary of Planning, or the Secretary's designee;
 - ii) the Secretary of the Environment, or the Secretary's designee;
 - iii) the Secretary of Transportation, or the Secretary's designee;
 - iv) the Secretary of Housing and Community Development, or the Secretary's designee;
 - v) the Secretary of Natural Resources, or the Secretary's designee;
 - vi) the Secretary of Business and Economic Development, or the Secretary's designee;
 - vii) the Secretary of Agriculture, or the Secretary's designee;
 - viii) the Superintendent of the Maryland State Department of Education, or the Superintendent's designee; and
 - ix) the Director of the University of Maryland's National Center for Smart Growth, or the Director's designee;
- 4) four representatives of local governments:
 - a) two designated by the Maryland Municipal League;
 - b) two designated by the Maryland Association of Counties;
- 5) appointed by the Governor:
 - a) one representative of the smart growth community;
 - b) one representative of the environmental community;
 - c) one representative of the residential building and development community;
 - d) one representative of the commercial building and development community;
 - e) one representative of the agricultural community;
 - f) one representative of the rural community;
 - g) one representative of a citizen organization that addresses housing;
 - h) one representative of a citizen organization that addresses transportation;
 - i) one representative from Western Maryland;
 - j) one representative from Southern Maryland;
 - k) three representatives from the Washington Metropolitan area;
 - l) three representatives from the Baltimore Metropolitan area; and
 - m) one representative from the Eastern Shore.

The members representing a region of the State must have knowledge of smart growth and planning issues. Of the three members representing the Washington Metropolitan area, one must represent local or regional government. Of the three members representing the Baltimore metropolitan area, one must represent local or regional government. Of the members appointed by the Governor, one must be an architect that is licensed to practice in the State and is a resident of the state.

Purpose: The purpose of the Commission is to:

- 1) assess and advise on the progress of state, regional, and local planning in Maryland in achieving the goals of the state economic growth, resource protection, and planning policy;
- 2) make recommendations on the adequacy, coordination, and implementation of funding mechanisms and other state assistance for planning activities and infrastructure and land preservation needs, consistent with the state economic growth, resource protection, and planning policy;
- 3) promote planning coordination and interjurisdictional cooperation among the state and local jurisdictions and recommend mechanisms to facilitate voluntary joint planning;
- 4) advise on the contest and preparation of the state development plan, state transportation plan, and state housing plan and the implementation of these plans, including the relationship of these plans with local land use plans;
- 5) promote and make recommendations regarding efficient and predictable model state and local development regulations to achieve the goals of the state economic growth, resource protection, and planning policy;
- 6) evaluate the continuing viability and effectiveness of the state and local government smart growth indicators contained in Article 66B, section 3.10 of the Code, and make recommendations for the amendments or additions to the indicators;
- 7) review the reports of local jurisdictions on adequate public facilities development restrictions required by Article 66B, Section 10.01 of the Code, and assess whether and to what extent adequate public facilities ordinances affect the achievement of the goals of the state economic growth, resource protection, and planning policy;
- 8) develop and assist in the implementation of educational and outreach programs about smart growth;
- 9) review periodically the educational requirements for members of planning boards and commissions and boards of appeals required by Article 66B, Sections 3.02 and 4.07 of the Code, and evaluate compliance rates for the members;
- 10) make recommendations for changes in state law, regulations, policies, and procedures, if any, that the Commission believes are necessary to achieve the state's economic growth, resource protection, and planning policy; and
- 11) serve as an advisory board to the Governor's Smart Growth subcabinet, providing advice and guidance.

Chair: The Governor shall designate the Chair and the Vice-Chair of the Commission.

Staff: Staff will be provided by the Department of Planning.

Report: On or before December 1 of each year, the Commission shall report on its activities and recommendations to:

- 1) the Speaker of the House;
- 2) the President of the Senate;
- 3) the House Environmental Matters Committee;
- 4) the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee;
and
- 5) the Governor.

Marine Contractors Licensing Board

Marine Contractors Licensing Board (Senate Bill 382/Chapter 286)

Establishing a Marine Contractors Licensing Board consisting of the following members appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate:

1. one shall be employed by the Department of the Environment;
2. one shall be employed by the Department of Natural Resources;
3. three shall be licensed marine contractors and shall include:
 - a. one from Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's or St. Mary's Counties;
 - b. one from Baltimore City, or Baltimore, Cecil, Harford, Kent, or Queen Anne's counties; and
 - c. one from Caroline, Dorchester, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, or Worcester counties; and
4. two shall be private citizens, appointed at large, who represent diverse interests and shall include:
 - a. one from Baltimore City, or Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Charles, Harford, Prince George's, or St. Mary's counties; and
 - b. one from Caroline, Cecil, or Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, or Worcester counties.

Purpose: The Board is responsible for the licensing and regulation of individuals and entities that provide marine contractor services in the state.

Chair: The Board shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair and Secretary annually from among its members.

Staff: The Board may employ staff.

Nanobiotechnology, Task Force to Study

Task Force to Study Nanobiotechnology (House Bill 795/Chapter 163)

Establishing a Task Force to Study Nanobiotechnology consisting of the following members:

1. one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
2. one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
3. the Secretary of Business and Economic Development or the Secretary's designee;
4. the Chair of the Maryland Technology Development Corporation (TEDCO), or the Chair's designee;
5. the Chair of the Tech Council of Maryland, or the Chair's designee; and
6. the following members appointed by the Governor:
 - a. three representatives of higher education institutions in Maryland involved in research or scholarship on nanobiotechnology;
 - b. three representatives from regional or local business organizations that advocate on behalf of the life sciences; and
 - c. two individuals who serve as chief executive officer of private nanobiotechnology companies.

Additionally, the Governor shall also invite the following four representatives of federal agencies to serve as members of the Task Force:

1. the Director of the National Institutes of Health, or the Director's designee;
2. the Director of the National Institutes of Standards and Technology, or the Director's designee;
3. the Director of the Food and Drug Administration, or the Director's designee; and
4. the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, or the Director's designee.

Purpose: The task force shall:

- 1) study:
 - a) the benefits of nanobiotechnology, including:
 - i) job creation;
 - ii) the development of lifesaving treatments; reductions in health care costs;
 - iii) the development of state-of-the-art electronics, medical equipment, chemical processes, and other commercial products;
 - iv) the generation of revenue for the State; and
 - v) improvements to the quality of life for the State's citizens; and
 - b) the State's role in supporting Maryland's leadership in nanobiotechnology, including:
 - i) promoting public-private partnerships;
 - ii) assisting companies in technology transfers, including from research to commercial product;
 - iii) promoting research;

- iv) protecting intellectual property;
 - v) offering appropriate financial incentives, including tax credits; and
 - vi) capturing and leveraging federal funds for both public and private ventures; and
- 2) make recommendations regarding actions that the State should take to promote the growth of the nanobiotechnology industries in the State.

Chair: Members appointed from the General Assembly shall serve as cochairs of the Task Force.

Staff: The Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) and the Maryland Technology Development Corporation (TEDCO) are required to staff the task force.

Report: The Task Force is required to report its findings and recommendations on the benefits of the technology and the State's role in promoting it by January 1, 2011.

Principles of Universal Design for Learning into the Education Systems in Maryland, Task Force to Explore the Incorporation of

Task Force to Explore the Incorporation of the Principles of Universal Design for Learning into the Education Systems in Maryland (Senate Bill 467/Chapter 305 and House Bill 59/Chapter 360)

Establishing the Task Force to Explore the Incorporation of Principles of Universal Design for Learning into the Education Systems in Maryland consisting of the following members:

- (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;
- (2) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- (3) the State Superintendent of Schools, or the State Superintendent's designee;
- (4) the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland, or the Chancellor's designee;
- (5) the Director of the Governor's Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, or the Director's designee;
- (6) one member of the State Board of Education, appointed by the President of the State Board;
- (7) three representatives of the State Department of Education from different divisions, each appointed by the Assistant State Superintendent of the represented division, for whom:
 - a) one representative shall be from the Division of Special Education and Early Intervention
 - b) one representative shall be from the Division of Assessments and Accountability;

- (8) one county superintendent, appointed by the Public Schools Superintendents Association of Maryland;
- (9) one county board of education member, appointed by the Maryland Association of Board of Education;
- (10) five public school teachers who teach in the State, appointed by the Maryland State Education Association, of whom:
 - a) three teachers shall be general educators, one each from an elementary, a middle, and high school;
 - b) one teacher shall be certified in special education; and
 - c) one teacher shall be certified in instruction to students with limited English proficiency;
- (11) one member of the Institute for Higher Education Policy, appointed by the Chair or the Maryland Higher Education Commission; and
- (12) five members appointed by the Governor, one of whom has expertise in Universal Design of Learning.

Purpose: This Task Force shall:

- 1) study the effectiveness of Universal Design for Learning as a framework for guiding curriculum design including goals, teaching methods, instructional materials, and assessments, to:
 - a) provide flexibility in the ways:
 - i) information is presented;
 - ii) students respond or demonstrate knowledge and skills; and
 - iii) students are engaged; and
 - b) reduce barriers in instruction and provide appropriate accommodations, supports, and challenges while maintaining high achievement expectations for all students, including students with disabilities and students with limited English proficiency;
- 2) study how to the feasibility of:
 - a) incorporating and applying the principles of Universal Design for Learning into the elementary, secondary, and postsecondary and higher education systems in Maryland with respect to:
 - i) curriculum development;
 - ii) the evaluation, selection, and design of textbooks and other instructional materials;
 - iii) the purchase and use of technology for instructional purposes;
 - iv) teacher preparation and staff development;
 - v) the development of classroom, district, and statewide assessments; and
 - vi) State grants; and

- b) evaluating the implementation of the incorporation and application of Universal Design for Learning principles and the effect on student outcomes;
- (3) make recommendations for the minimum standards to be used relating to the incorporation of the principles of Universal Design for Learning by county boards of education in the development of local school system policies and procedures incorporating the principles of Universal Design for Learning; and
- (4) draft and recommend proposed regulations incorporating the findings of the Task Force

Chair: The Governor shall designate the chair of the Task Force.

Staff: The State Department of Education shall provide staff for the Task Force.

Report: On or before December 31, 2010, the Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the State Board of Education, the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee, Budget and Taxation Committee, House Committee on Ways and Means, and the Health and Government Operations Committee.

Public School Labor Relations Board

Fairness in Negotiations Act (Senate Bill 590/Chapter 324 and House Bill 243/Chapter 325)

Establishing the Public School Labor Relations Board consisting of the following members:

- (1) one member who:
 - a) represents the public;
 - b) has experience in labor relations;
 - c) is not an office or employee of a board of education or an employee organization representing public school system employees;
 - d) is not an elected official of the State, a county or an employee organization representing public school employees;
 - e) is known for objective and independent judgment; and
 - f) is not a active member of a labor union;
- (2) two members, including one member chosen from a list of candidates submitted by the organization representing a majority of public school employees in the State for collective bargaining purpose and another member chosen from a list of public school employees in at least on jurisdiction within the State of collective bargaining purpose other than the majority organization under the paragraph, who:
 - a) are not employees of the State or a public school employee organization; and
 - b) are known for objective and independent judgment; and

- (3) two members chosen from a list of candidates submitted by the Maryland Association of Boards of Education and the State Superintendents Association of Maryland, who;
 - a) are not officers or employees of the State or county or State boards of education and are not officers or employees of employee organizations representing employees of public school systems in Maryland; and
 - b) are known for objective and independent judgment.

Chair: The public school labor relations board shall elect a chair from among its members.

Report: The Board shall adopt regulations, guidelines, and policies to carry out the rights and responsibilities of the Board and make recommendations for legislative actions regarding the operations.

Task Force on Minority Business Program and Equity Investment Capital

Task Force on the Minority Business Enterprise Program and Equity Investment Capital (Senate Bill 2/Chapter 513 and House Bill 222/Chapter 514)

Establishing a Task Force on the Minority Business Enterprise Program and Equity Investment Capital:

- (1) two members appointed by the President of the Senate:
- (2) two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates:
- (3) the following seven members appointed by the Governor:
 - a) one representative of the Department of General Services;
 - b) one representative of the Department of Transportation;
 - c) one representative of the Governor's Office of Minority
 - d) one representative of a professional private equity firm;
 - e) one representative of a law firm with proficiency in business, equity transaction, and corporate governance;
 - f) one representative of the business community who has founded and been the chief executive of at least one successful company, has experience with equity transactions from the business side, and has participated in a formal corporate board, preferably recognized for entrepreneurship; and
 - g) one representative of the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority.

Purpose: The Task Force shall:

- 1) study how to facilitate the acquisition of investment equity capital by minority business enterprises in Maryland in a manner that:
 - a) allows minority business enterprise owners to retain operational control of the business enterprise; and
 - b) provides adequate protection to equity investors;
- (2) make recommendations regarding the necessary modifications to the Minority Business Enterprise Program that will authorize and encourage equity investment in minority business enterprises in Maryland; and
- (3) develop draft legislation for the 2011 legislative session to implement the recommendations.

Chair: The president of the Senate and the Speaker of the House shall designate a Senator and a Delegate to co-chair the Task Force.

Staff: The Department of General Services and the Department of Transportation shall provide staff.

Report: On or before the December 1, 2010, the Task Force shall report its recommendations and draft legislation to the Governor and the General Assembly.

Commission on Maryland Transportation Funding

Blue Ribbon Commission on Maryland Transportation Funding (Senate Bill 229/Chapter 525 and House Bill 710/Chapter 526)

Establishing a Blue Ribbon Commission on Maryland Transportation Funding:

- (1) two members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate:
- (2) two members of the House appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates:
- (3) the following seven members appointed by the Governor:
 - a) the Secretary of Transportation;
 - b) the Secretary of Budget and Management;
 - c) the Secretary of Business and Economic Development
 - d) the Secretary of Planning
 - e) a representative of the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority
 - f) three representatives from the business community, including two representatives of statewide or regional organizations
 - g) two representatives of the environmental community, including one representative with a background in smart growth
 - h) a representative of the American Automobile Association
 - i) a representative of the freight rail industry
 - j) a representatives of the Maryland Association of Counties

- k) a representative of the transportation construction industry
- l) two representatives of the Maryland Municipal League; and
- m) two representatives of labor unions; and
- n) two representatives of rural areas in the State

Purpose: The Commission shall review, evaluate, and make recommendations concerning:

- 1) the current State funding sources and structure of the Maryland Transportation Trust Fund;
- (2) short- and long-term transit construction and maintenance funding needs;
- (3) short- and long-term highway construction and maintenance funding needs;
- (4) short- and long-term pedestrian and bicycle facility construction and maintenance funding needs;
- (5) options for public-private partnerships, including partnerships with local governments, to meet transportation funding needs;
- (6) the structure of regional transportation authorities and the ability of these authorities to meet transportation needs in various regions of the State;
- (7) the impact of economic development and smart growth on transportation funding; and
- (8) options for sustainable, long-term revenue sources for transportation.

Chair: The Governor shall designate the chair of the Commission after consultation with the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.

Staff: The Department of Transportation shall provide staff.

Report: On or before the November 1, 2011, the Commission shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly.

State Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council

Office of the Governor – State Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council (House Bill 219/Chapter 661)

Establishing the State Drug and Alcohol Abuse Council:

Voting Members:

- 1) one member of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate;
- 2) one member of the House appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates;
- 3) the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, or the Secretary's Designee

- 4) the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, or the Secretary's designee
- 5) the Secretary of Juvenile Services, or the Secretary's Designee
- 6) the Secretary of Human Resources, or the Secretary's Designee
- 7) the Secretary of Budget and Management, or the Secretary's Designee
- 8) the Secretary of Housing and Community Development, to the Secretary's designee
- 9) the Secretary of Transportation, or the Secretary's designee
- 10) the State Superintendent of schools, or the Superintendent's designee
- 11) the Executive Director of the Governor's Office for children, or the Executive Director's designee
- 12) the Executive Director of the Governor's office of Crime Control and Prevention, or the Executive Director's designee
- 13) two representatives of the Maryland Judiciary, A District Court Judge and a Circuit Court Judge, appointed by the Governor after nomination of the Chief Judge of the Court of appeals; and
- 14) eight members appointed by the Governor who are representative to the extent practicable of:
 - a. geographic regions of the state
 - b. at-risk populations
 - c. knowledgeable professionals
 - d. current or former consumers of substance abuse prevention, intervention, and treatment services
 - e. family members of substance abusers
 - f. prevention and treatment providers; and
 - g. individuals who are active on substance abuse issues in their communities.

Non-voting Members:

- 1) the Director of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
- 2) the Director of Mental Hygiene of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
- 3) the Director of the Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services
- 4) The President of the Maryland Addiction Directors' Council

Purpose: The council is to:

- 1) develop a comprehensive, coordinated, and strategic approach to the use of state and local resources for prevention, intervention, and treatment of drug and alcohol abuse among the residents of the state;
- 2) promote a coordinated, collaborative, and comprehensive effort by state executive branch agencies to ensure the efficient and effective use of state resources for the delivery of a full continuum of drug and alcohol abuse

- prevention, intervention, and treatment services for all residents within their jurisdiction;
- 3) promote a coordinated, collaborative, and comprehensive effort by local alcohol and drug abuse councils and state service agencies to ensure effective and efficient use of state resources for the delivery of a full continuum of drug and alcohol abuse prevention, intervention, and treatment services for all residents within their jurisdiction;
 - 4) promote a coordinated, collaborative, and comprehensive effort by state and local agencies to allocate adequate resources to address the drug and alcohol abuse prevention, intervention, and treatment services needs of individuals involved in the criminal justice system at all stages of the process, including:
 - a) services while incarcerated;
 - b) re-entry services;
 - c) parole and probation services; and
 - d) court mandated services; and
 - 5) promote a coordinated, collaborative, and comprehensive effort by state and local agencies to allocate adequate resources to address the drug and alcohol abuse prevention, intervention, and treatment services needs of individuals with co-occurring problems requiring specialized services, including:
 - a) mental health disorders;
 - b) homelessness;
 - c) somatic health problems;
 - d) physical and cognitive difficulties; and
 - e) child welfare involvement.

Chair: The Governor shall appoint a chair from among the voting members of the Council.

Staff: The Department of Transportation shall provide staff.

Report: Submit to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before August 1, of each year the 2-year plan and all updates and recommendations.

Task Force on Solar Hot Water Systems

Task Force on Solar Hot Water Systems in Prince George's County (Senate Bill 1067/Chapter 649)

Establishing a Task Force on Solar Hot Water Systems:

- (1) One member of the Senate who represents Prince George's County, appointed by the President of the Senate
- (2) One member of the House who represents Prince George's County, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates:

- (3) The Director of the Maryland Energy Administration, or the Director's designee;
- (4) One member of the Prince George's County Council, appointed by the Council Chair;
- (5) The Prince George's County Executive, or the County Executive's designee; and
- (6) One representative from the Maryland Clean Energy Center

Purpose: The Task Force shall:

- 1) investigate and analyze the use of solar hot water systems in other states and countries to identify ways to support substantial use of solar hot water systems in Prince George's County;
- 2) analyze current federal, state, and local incentives, and related existing and potential policy tools to support substantial use of solar hot water systems in Prince George's County;
- 3) analyze policy, financial, market, and other obstacles to implementing solar hot water systems in Prince George's County and ways to overcome the obstacles;
- 4) explore possibilities to use greenhouse gas markets or other market-based incentives to monetize emission reductions and thereby lower the cost of solar hot water systems;
- 5) identify the best major markets for implementation of solar hot water systems, including:
 - a) county buildings;
 - b) county schools;
 - c) hotels;
 - d) restaurants;
 - e) churches;
 - f) commercial properties;
 - g) multifamily residential properties; and
 - h) single family residential properties; and
- 6) develop a business plan to achieve substantial use of solar hot water systems in Prince George's County in a way that saves money for Prince George's County residents and businesses and that reduces carbon emissions.

Chair: The Task Force members shall designate the chair of the Task Force.

Staff: The Prince George's County government shall provide staff and the Maryland Energy Administration may provide technical assistance.

Report: On or before the December 31, the Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Prince George's County Senators, the Prince George's County Delegation, the Prince George's County Council, and the Prince George's

County Executive, and the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee.

Part V
**Changes to Existing Boards, Commissions,
Task Forces, Advisory Councils, etc.**
As a Result of 2010 Legislation

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Changes to Existing Boards, Commissions, Task Forces, Advisory Councils, Etc. As a Result of 2010 Legislation

African American History and Culture, Commission

Creation of the African American Heritage Preservation Program in the Maryland Historical Trust (Senate Bill 319/Chapter 278 and House Bill 915/Chapter 279)

This bill establishes the African American Heritage Preservation Program in the Maryland Historical Trust and requires the Program to partner with the Commission on African American History and Culture in developing and administering the Program.

Business Tax Reform Commission, Maryland

Maryland Business Tax Reform Commission – Reporting Requirements (Senate Bill 336/Chapter 543)

This bill accelerates the due date for the final report of the Maryland Business Tax Reform Commission from December 15, 2011, to December 15, 2010.

Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners, State Board of

Extension of Sunset Provisions (House Bill 135/Chapter 133)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners by 10 years to July 1, 2022, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2021. The bill includes two reporting requirements. On or before October 1, 2010, the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners must submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs and the House Health and Government Operations Committee regarding: 1) financial activities that contributed to the Board's fiscal year 2009 fund balance; 2) measures implemented during fiscal year 2010 to decrease the Board's fund balance and the impact of those measures; and 3) the Board's progress in maintaining an appropriate fund balance, meeting Managing for Results goals for complaint resolution and implementing formal data retrieval and analysis procedures.

Collection Agency Licensing

Licensing and Renewal of Licenses (House Bill 402/Chapter 149)

This departmental bill repeals existing \$400 statutory fees for new and renewal collection agency licensees and gives the State Collection Agency Licensing Board the authority to establish fees by regulation. The bill further authorizes a new fee for the investigation of prospective collection agency licensees. Any fees established by the board must (1) reasonably cover the actual direct and indirect costs of regulating collection agencies; and (2) be published by the board. Moreover, the bill specifies that the statutory fees remain in effect until the fees set by regulation take effect.

Community Legacy Board

Smart, Green, and Growing – The Sustainable Communities Act of 2010 (House Bill 475/Chapter 487)

This bill eliminates the Community Legacy Board and the advisory board to the Community Legacy Board.

Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission

Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission – Developmental Disabilities and Community Mental Health Services – Rate Adjustments (Senate Bill 633/Chapter 497 and House Bill 1034/Chapter 498)

This bill repeals the language that makes the adjustment contingent on the limitations of the State budget and requires the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission (CSRRC) to determine a weighted average cost structure of providers. In addition, the bills require DHMH, in consultation with specified community services stakeholders, to conduct a study for purposes of recommending a plan to develop a rate-setting methodology for providers. The study will also include an analysis of the future role of CSRRC and other entities involved in the rate-setting process. The bills terminate June 30, 2016.

Controlled Hazardous Substances Advisory Council

Membership Changes (Senate Bill 88/Chapter 220)

This departmental bill increases the term length for members of the Controlled Hazardous Substance Advisory Council from 6 years to 10 years, and requires the council to meet only at the request of the Secretary of the Environment. In addition, the bill alters the membership to authorize the Governor to appoint the pesticides coordinator's designee in place of the pesticides coordinator. Finally, it repeals the requirements to annually elect a chairperson and select the times and places of the council meetings.

Criminal Injuries Compensation Board

Criminal Injuries Compensation Board – Right to Hearing (Senate Bill 442/Chapter 69 and House Bill 138/Chapter 70)

The Criminal Injuries Compensation Board (CICB) in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services provides financial assistance for innocent victims of crime. The board may compensate victims who suffer physical or psychological injury for their medical expenses and loss of earnings. This bill subjects a claim filed with the CICB to review under applicable provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act. If a claimant requests a hearing after the board has issued proposed findings of fact, conclusions of law, or orders, the board must hold a hearing in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act before issuing final findings of fact, conclusions of law, or orders.

Disabilities, Maryland Commission on

Membership and Scope of Work Changes (Senate Bill 52/Chapter 207)

The bill increases membership on the Maryland Commission on Disabilities by requiring the Governor to appoint an individual with a developmental disability in addition to an individual with an intellectual disability to the commission. The bill terminates the Personal Assistance Services Advisory Committee and moves the scope of its work to the Maryland Commission on Disabilities.

Education, State Board of

Fairness in Negotiations Act (Senate Bill 590/Chapter 324 and House Bill 243/Chapter 325)

The State Board of Education will no longer decide public school labor relations disputes, and the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools to declare labor impasses is repealed. The bills also establish a new mediation process for resolving disputes and establish a new process for the Public School Labor Relations Board (PSLRB) to decide the negotiability of topics.

Establishing a Public School Labor Relations Board (PSLRB) to administer and enforce the labor relations laws for local boards of education and their employees. The authority of the State Board of Education to decide public school labor relations disputes and the authority of the State Superintendent of Schools to declare labor impasses are repealed. **(Please see New Boards, Commissions and Task Forces)**

Education, State Board of

Base Realignment and Closure – Public Charter Schools Located on a Federal Military Base (Senate Bill 834/Chapter 353)

This bill authorizes the State Board of Education to grant a waiver from the requirement that a public charter school be open to all students on a space available basis. The public charter school located on the base must admit students with parents who are not assigned to the base to at least 35% of its total available space and must admit all students on a lottery basis.

Education, State Board of

Development of Model Gang Policy (House Bill 1160/Chapter 188)

The bill requires the State Board of Education, after consultation with and input from the Department of Juvenile Services, the Department of State Police, the Department of Human Resources, and local school systems, to develop a model policy to address gangs, gang-like activity, and similar destructive or illegal group behavior in schools by March 31, 2011.

Education, State Board of

Education – Innovative School Scheduling Models – Low – Performing and At – Risk Public Schools (Senate Bill 452/ Chapter 298 and House Bill 439/Chapter 299)

This bill requires the State Board of Education to explore the use of innovative school scheduling models, including extended year, year-round schooling, or other school scheduling models that do not allow for prolonged lapses in instructional time, in low-performing or at-risk public schools. The State board is also required to encourage local boards to use the school scheduling models that are determined to be most effective in enhancing student achievement in low-performing or at-risk public schools.

Education, State Board of

Teacher Mentoring (House Bill 1263/Chapter 189)

This bill requires the State Board to adopt regulations to establish standards for effective mentoring of teachers, including provisions to ensure that mentors provide mentoring that is focused, systematic, ongoing, of high quality, geared to the needs of each employee being mentored, includes observation and feedback.

The bill also requires the State Board to adopt regulations that establish general standards for performance evaluations for certificated teachers and principals that include observations, clear standards, rigor, and claims and evidence of observed instruction.

Additionally, the bill requires the State Board to establish a program to support locally negotiated incentives for highly effective classroom teachers and principals to work in public schools that are in the highest 25% of schools in the State based on a ranking of the percentage of students who receive free and reduced price meals, categorized by the local school system as a Title I school or in improvement, corrective action or restructuring status.

Education, State Board of

Use of Braille in Schools (Senate Bill 230/Chapter 254 and House Bill 413/Chapter 255)

This bill requires the State Board of Education to establish standards for the mastery of Braille for use in English, language arts, and mathematics instruction of students who are blind or visually impaired in pre-kindergarten through grade 12 by September 1, 2012. By September 1, 2013, the State board and the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board must review and, as appropriate, modify certification and recertification requirements for teachers of students who are blind or visually impaired.

Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities, Commission on

Membership Changes (Senate Bill 60/Chapter 211)

This departmental bill expands the membership of the Commission on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities from 15 to 20 members. The additional members include representatives from the departments of Housing and Community Development, Transportation, and Business and Economic Development, as well as two additional members appointed by the Governor. The bill also specifies that at least 2 of the 12 members appointed by the Governor must represent affected communities concerned with environmental justice.

Growth and Development in Maryland, Task Force on the Future for Repeal of the Task Force (Senate Bill 278/Chapter 489 and House Bill 474/Chapter 488)

The bills repeal the Task Force on the Future of Growth and Development in Maryland.

Health and Human Services Referral Board

*Health and Human Services Referral Board – 2-1-1 Maryland - Modifications (Senate Bill 527/
Chapter 310 and House Bill 693/Chapter 311)*

This bill alters the membership, term limits, and duties of the Health and Human Services Referral Board. The Board shall consist of 17 members: One member shall represent the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; one member shall represent the Department of Human Resources; one member shall represent the Department of Public Safety and Corrections; one member shall represent the Department of Aging; one member shall represent the Department of Business and Economic Development; one member shall represent the Maryland Emergency Management Agency; one member shall represent the Maryland State Association of United Ways; one member shall represent the United Way of Central Maryland; one member shall represent the Maryland Public Service Commission; one member shall represent a public telephone utility company operation in the State; one member shall represent a nonprofit organization in the State; one member shall represent Maryland's volunteer centers; one member shall represent the Maryland Emergency Number System Board; one member shall represent the philanthropic community; one member shall represent the Maryland Child Care Resource Network ; one member shall represent the Department of Disabilities; one member shall represent the community at large. The Governor shall appoint the members with the advice and consent of the Senate. A four year term is granted to each member. A member may not serve more than two consecutive full terms. The Governor shall appoint a chairperson from among the Board members. A member of the board may not receive compensation, but is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State Budget. The Maryland State Association of United Ways shall provide staff to the board.

Health Care Commission, Maryland

Patient Centered Medical Home Program (Senate Bill 855/Chapter 5 and House Bill 92/Chapter 6)

The Acts require the Maryland Health Care Commission to establish the Maryland Patient Centered Medical Home Program if the commission concludes that the program will likely result in the delivery of more efficient and effective health care services and is in the public interest. The Acts require prominent health insurance carriers in the State to participate in the program, while other carriers may participate. The commission is also permitted to authorize single carrier medical homes.

The Maryland Health Care Commission must conduct an independent evaluation of the program's effectiveness in reducing health care costs and improving health care outcomes, and report its findings to specified committees by December 1, 2014. The Acts terminate December 21, 2015.

Health Care Commission, Maryland

Health Insurance – Uniform Consultation Referral Form – Electronic Transmission (House Bill 292/Chapter 403)

This bill authorizes the uniform consultation form to be transmitted electronically. The bill also requires the Insurance Commissioner, in consultation with the Maryland Health Care Commission, to adopt standards for the electronic transmission of the data elements in the uniform consultation referral form by regulation.

Health Care Commission, Maryland

Health Facilities – Freestanding Medical Facilities - Rates (House Bill 699/Chapter 506)

This bill requires the State Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC) to set rates for hospital services provided at freestanding medical facilities issued a certificate of need (CON) by the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) after July 1, 2015; a freestanding medical facility licensed prior to July 1, 2007; and freestanding medical facility pilot projects. Also, requiring all payors subject to the rate-setting authority of HSCRC, including insurers, nonprofit health service plans, health maintenance organizations (HMOs), managed care organizations (MCOs), and the Medical Assistance Program (Medicaid), to pay the HSCRC rates for hospital services at a freestanding medical facility issued a CON after July 1, 2015, and freestanding medical facility pilot projects. However, the bills limit HSCRC's fiscal 2011 rate setting authority to hospital services provided at the freestanding medical facility pilot project in Queen Anne's County and requires that those rates be set in a manner that does not impact the State budget in fiscal 2011.

Health Care Professionals and Improved Patient Care, The Task Force on the Discipline of

Health Occupations Boards - Revisions (Senate Bill 291/Chapter 533 and House Bill 114/Chapter 534)

The Task Force on the Discipline of Health Care Professionals and Improved Patient Care has created recommendations by setting standardized guidelines for all health occupations boards' policies and procedures that include the composition of the boards, the appointment of specified board staff, and the disciplinary and sanctioning procedures of the boards. Significant provisions include: 1) requiring the establishment of disciplinary subcommittees for complaint investigation, determination of whether to bring charges, and participation in pre-adjudication case resolution conferences; 2) setting a statute of limitations of six years after which time a board may not bring charges against a licensee except under specified circumstances; 3) requiring a board that uses peer review in standard of care cases to provide the individual being reviewed with a copy of the final peer review report and an opportunity to submit a written response to the final report before the board takes action against the individual; and 4) authorizing training, mentoring, or other forms of remediation for licensees in lieu of formal hearings under specified circumstances.

Health, Education, and Social Services by State Agencies, Task Force to Study the Procurement of

Altering Membership, Expanding Scope, and Extension (House Bill 531/Chapter 683)

This bill changes the membership of the Task Force to Study the Procurement of Health and Social Services by State Agencies to include the Director of the Governor's Grants Office, or the Director's, (in place of the Secretary of General Services), the Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee, representative of universities or colleges in the State appointed by the Governor, and as education as an area from which the three representatives currently contracting with the state may be drawn.

The bill expands the scope of the Task Force to include procurement of education services, and extends its authorization for two years until June 30, 2012. It also requires the Board of Public Works (BPW) to provide staff for the task force. The task force must report its preliminary findings and recommendations by November 30, 2010, and its final findings and recommendations by November 30, 2011.

Health Services Cost Review Commission

Hospitals – Financial Assistance and Debt Collection (Senate Bill 328/Chapter 60 and House Bill 933/Chapter 61)

This bill alters the requirements for hospital financial assistance and debt collection policies and makes the requirements applicable to chronic care hospitals that are subject to rates set by Health Services Cost Review Commission (HSCRC). The Acts require hospitals to provide reduced-cost medically necessary care to patients with family income below 500% FPG who have a financial hardship. However, hospitals may seek and HSCRC may approve a different income threshold based on specified factors. In addition, the Acts (1) outline practices a hospital must follow if it finds a patient to be eligible for free care after collecting money from the patient for services provided; (2) further refine information that must be provided to patients, in specified places, and at specified times, and; (3) set uniform standards for hospital debt collection policies including a prohibition on a hospital forcing the sale or foreclosure of a patient's primary residence to collect an outstanding debt.

Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors, State Board of

Membership Changes (House Bill 84/Chapter 126)

This departmental bill increases the membership of the State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration (HVACR) Contractors by two members. The additional members must be licensed HVACR contractors and Maryland residents. Under the bill, only five of the seven professional board members must be appointed to represent particular geographic regions of the State.

Higher Education Commission, Maryland

Office of Student Financial Assistance (Senate Bill 80/Chapter 217)

This departmental bill clarifies the scope of the duties and authority of the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) in the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC). Specifically, the bill clarifies that all student financial assistance programs awarded or administered by OSFA are subject to Title 18 of the Education Article, not only scholarships and grants. The bill repeals a requirement relating to the provision of bonds by scholarship recipients. The bill also explicitly authorizes OSFA to adopt rules and regulations governing the performance of service obligations required of students who receive certain financial assistance, including repayment in lieu of service, waiver of service, and deferment of service.

Home Improvement Commission

Guaranty Fund Jurisdiction (House Bill 409/Chapter 671)

This departmental bill establishes that a homeowner may not receive an award from the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund that is in excess of the amount paid by the claimant to the contractor against whom the claim is filed.

Immunizations, Statewide Advisory Commission on

Membership, Duties, and Sunset Repeal (House Bill 411/Chapter 672)

This bill makes several changes to the Statewide Advisory Commission on Immunizations. First, the bill adds members to the commission, one consumer member and one pharmacist. Appointment of the chair is changed from the physician member serving as chair to a requirement that the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to make the appointment of a chair, consultation with MedChi, the Maryland State Medical Society. The bill requires the Chair to establish committees and to appoint subcommittee chairs.

Among its duties, the bill requires the Commission to:

- 1) review:
 - a) potential provider reimbursement barriers to increasing immunizations;
 - b) the relative effectiveness of outreach programs that educate the public about the benefits of immunizations;
 - c) potential cost-shifting of immunization expenses for privately insured patients who receive immunizations at local health departments; and
 - d) potential administrative burdens associated with state purchasing of vaccines;
- 2) make recommendations on how to increase immunizations, including catch-up immunizations, among adults, adolescents, and children who are recommended to receive immunizations;
- 3) study or make recommendations about public health emergencies involving immunizations; and

- 4) the availability and affordability of immunizations for adolescents, as well as adult and childhood vaccines.

Finally, the bill permits the Commission to recommend to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene that information on vaccine safety be communicated to the health care providers.

Individual Tax Preparers, State Board of

Changes to Examination Requirements (Senate Bill 555/Chapter 85 and House Bill 873/ Chapter 86)

This bill repeals the requirement that the examination administered by the State Board of Individual Tax Preparers may not be less stringent than the Individuals section of the Special Enrollment Examination for enrolled agents.

Labor and Industry, Commission of

Assisted Living Programs – Noncommercial Elevator Units – Installation and Inspection (Senate Bill 265/Chapter 531)

This bill allows the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to adopt specified regulations to authorize and regulate the installation and inspection of noncommercial elevator units in assisted living programs with five or fewer beds that are licensed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

Labor Relations Board, State

Collective Negotiations by Family Child Care Providers (House Bill 465/Chapter 496)

The bill requires that only one appropriate bargaining unit of family child care providers be established in the State. Providers may designate which provider organization, if any, will be the exclusive representative of all providers in the State. The election and certification of the exclusive representative must be conducted by the State Labor Relations Board (LRB) and governed by statutory provisions. LRB may not conduct an election for an exclusive representative if an election or certification has taken place within the preceding two years. A provider organization designated as the exclusive representative must represent all providers in the State fairly and without discrimination, whether or not the providers are members of the organization.

Landscape Architects, State Board of Examiners of

Extension of Termination Date (House Bill 134/Chapter 132)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects to July 1, 2024, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2023. The bill includes a reporting requirement. On or before October 1, 2011, the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects, in conjunction with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, must submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, on its consideration of: 1) instituting a continuing education requirement for landscape architects; and 2) allowing individuals who have a college

degree in a field related to landscape architecture to sit for the licensing examination under the academic option as described in Section 9-303 of the Business Occupations and Professions Article.

Long-term Care Facilities, Task Force to Study Financial Matters Relating to

Extension of Termination Date (Senate Bill 655/Chapter 93 and House Bill 384/Chapter 94)

This bill extends the termination date of the Task Force to Study Financial Matters Relating to Long-Term Care Facilities by two years from June 30, 2010 to June 30, 2012. The bill also extends by two years the dates by which the task force must submit its interim and final findings and recommendations to July 1, 2011 and June 1, 2012, respectively.

Maryland Health Insurance Plan, Board of Directors

National Temporary High-Risk Pool Program (House Bill 1564/Chapter 173)

This emergency departmental bill authorizes the Board of Directors for the Maryland Health Insurance Plan (MHIP) to elect for MHIP to administer a national temporary high-risk pool program for the State and enter into any necessary administration agreements if the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services establishes such a program to be administered by states. The board may limit enrollment based on the amount of federal funding available to the program and establish a separate benefit package delivery system and premium rate for enrollees according to standards for benefit packages and premium rates established under federal law for the program. The bill terminates on the earlier of the date that the national high-risk pool program ends or MHIP ends its administration of the national high-risk pool program for the State.

Maryland Health Insurance Plan, Board of Directors

Payment of Plan Premiums (House Bill 1050/Chapter 166)

This departmental bill authorizes the Board of Directors for the Maryland Health Insurance Plan (MHIP) to establish a plan option for members whose premiums are paid by a governmental unit. The bill also authorizes the board, in setting premium rates and cost-sharing arrangements for this plan option, to include amounts to limit cost shifting from another governmental unit to the plan as long as they are not set at a level that would make it cost prohibitive for the governmental unit. Finally, the bill authorizes the board to limit plan option eligibility and limit or eliminate any premium subsidy based on income for a member whose premiums are paid by a governmental unit.

Medicaid Advisory Committee

Changes to Medical Eligibility for Medicaid Long-Term Care Services (Senate Bill 429/Chapter 144 and House Bill 278/Chapter 143)

This bill requires the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) to report to the Senate Finance Committee, the House Health and Government Operations Committee, and the Medicaid Advisory Committee (MAC) at least 90 days prior to making any change to medical

eligibility for Medicaid long-term care services, including nursing facility services, home- and community-based waiver services, and other services that require nursing facility level of care. DHMH must also discuss the report, which must include certain information, at a meeting of MAC. The information includes: details of the intended change in medical eligibility; a description of how the intended change will affect current medical eligibility; the intended effective date of the change; and whether the change will be pursued through departmental policy, by regulation, or by statute.

Medical Services Advisory Council

Public Safety – Statewide Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council - Membership (Senate Bill 1086/Chapter 375 and House Bill 497/Chapter376)

The membership of the statewide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Advisory Council is raised from 29 to 31. Added members are to be a helicopter pilot and a member of the general public. Among its powers and duties, the EMS Board develops and adopts an Emergency Medical System plan to ensure effective coordination and evaluation of emergency medical services delivered in Maryland.

Military Installation Council, Maryland

Business and Economic Development – Maryland Military Installation Council – Sunset Repeal, Membership, and Terms (Senate Bill 55/Chapter 15)

This bill: (1) repeals the December 31, 2011 termination date for the council; (2) increases membership of the council to 24 by including the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, the Adjutant General of the Maryland National Guard, and the President of the Indian Head Defense Alliance; and (3) establishes four-year, staggered terms for appointed members.

Morticians and Funeral Directors, State Board of

Regulation of Crematories (House Bill 995/Chapter 450)

This bill requires the board and the Office of Cemetery Oversight to establish a process for regulating crematories that provides for registration and issuance of permits or licensure, as appropriate, based on the regulatory entity. A crematory is regulated either by the office or the board based on the crematory's ownership. The operation or ownership of a crematory incinerator at a licensed medical facility or educational institution is exempt from the bill's provisions. By October 1, 2011, the office and the board must adopt identical regulations in numerous specified areas and must determine whether to adopt financial stability requirements for crematories.

Nursing, State Board of

Continuing Education Requirements (Senate Bill 484/Chapter 7 and House Bill 319/Chapter 78)

The bill authorizes the State Board of Nursing to require continuing education or competency requirements as a condition for license renewal, for nurse practitioners. The board must maintain an approved attestation and make it available to the State Board of Physicians upon request. An attestation is a declaration that a nurse practitioner has a collaboration agreement in place with a

licensed physician and will refer to and consult with physicians and health care providers as needed. The attestation must also state the nurse practitioner will practice in accordance with the standards of practice of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners or any other national certifying body recognized by the State Board of Nursing.

Also, the bill repeals the requirement that the State Board of Physicians adopt regulations jointly with the State Board of Nursing concerning the prescriptive authority of nurse practitioners and requires the State Board of Nursing, in consultation with the State Board of Physicians, to develop a plan to implement the Maryland Nurse Practice Act, including provisions for the repeal of obsolete regulations and a requirement that attestations made by nurse practitioners concerning collaboration agreements with a licensed physician identify the physician.

Nursing, State Board of

State Board of Nursing and Certified Nursing Assistant Advisory Committee- Membership-Nominations of Vacancies (Senate Bill 266/ Chapter53 and House Bill 302/ Chapter 54)

The bill alters the membership of the State Board of Nursing and Certified Nursing Assistant Advisory Committee. Also, adding to the board a registered nurse member who has practiced acute care for at least five years, practices currently, and holds a bachelor of science degree in nursing, requires that a registered nurse member practice in a supervised group living setting, and require that a licensed practical nurse member practice as a delegating nurse in a supervised group living setting. An adult medical day care nursing assistant is added to the committee. The bills also alters the process for board member nominations by requiring the board to notify all active licensees and appropriate professional nursing organizations of a vacancy, and then authorizing any professional nursing organization that represents at least 25 affected nurses, or any active nurse with a valid petition, to submit a list of qualified individuals for the vacancy.

Nursing, State Board of

State Board of Nursing – Changes to the Electrology Practice Committee and Licensing Requirements (Senate Bill 241/ Chapter 48 and House Bill 215/ Chapter 49)

This bill makes changes to the practice of electrology in the State, which is regulated by the State Board of Nursing with the guidance of the Electrology Practice Committee. Specifically, the bills require applicants for licensure to pass both a national certification examination and a clinical examination given by the board, extend the date by which renewal applicants must have had a criminal history records check until 2011, and thereafter require an additional criminal history records check every 12 years, rather than every 10 years. The bills also establish that a quorum is a majority of the full authorized membership of the committee, provide that members of the committee are entitled to specified compensation and reimbursement, and require the board to send renewal notices to electrology licensees three months before a license expires.

Nursing, State Board of

Issuance of Temporary License (House Bill 179/Chapter 657)

This bill authorizes the State Board of Nursing to issue a temporary nursing license to an applicant who has taken and passed a board-approved examination required for licensure, but is awaiting the completion of the required criminal history records check.

Office of the Public Defender, Board of Trustees

Appointment of Public Defender; Membership Changes (Senate Bill 97/Chapter 223 and House Bill 122/Chapter 224)

This bill repeals a provision of law that requires the Public Defender to serve at the pleasure of the Board of Trustees of the Office of the Public Defender (OPD) and instead establishes a six-year term of office and authorizes the board of trustees to remove the Public Defender from office only under specified circumstances. The bill increases membership on the Board of Trustees to 13 from 3. Eleven members of the Board of Trustees shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate and two members of the Board are appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker, respectively.

Optometry, State Board of Examiners in

Extension of Termination Date (Senate Bill 145/Chapter 236)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Examiners in Optometry by 10 years to July 1, 2023, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2022. The bill includes a requirement that the board submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on: the actions the Board has taken to monitor the decline in new licenses and the trends in the renewal of previously issued licenses and include any recommendations the Board has made to address the Board's findings; review future revenue and expenditure trends to determine if a fee increase may be necessary; and implement a biennial renewal cycle to maintain a more consistent fund balance.

Park Advisory Commission

Membership Changes (Senate Bill 541/Chapter 316 and House Bill 631/Chapter 317)

This bill adds three members to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Park Advisory Commission.

Pharmacy, State Board of

Wholesale Distributors (Senate Bill 163/Chapter 239 and House Bill 868/Chapter 240)

This bill clarifies the conditions under which the State Board of Pharmacy may exempt wholesale distributors under "deemed status" from initial and routine inspection requirements. The bill also authorizes the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) to purchase and distribute prescription drugs and devices for public health purposes. These purchases and

distributions are exempt from wholesale distribution requirements. DHMH, in consultation with the State Board of Pharmacy, must adopt regulations to implement this provision.

Physical Therapy Examiners, State Board of

State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation (Senate Bill 146/Chapter 40)

The bill extends the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners until 2022. Also, the bill requires that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before a certain date and requiring the Board, in conjunction with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to submit a certain report on or before a certain date.

Pilots, State Board of

Extension of Termination Date (House Bill 133/Chapter 131)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Pilots for nine years to July 1, 2022, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2021. The bill includes a reporting requirement. The Board, in conjunction with DLLR, must report to the Senate EHE committee and the House ECM committee detailing the steps that have been taken to: 1) determine whether additional requirements, such as a federal pilot license, should be a requirement for State pilot licensing; 2) improve the Department’s accounting of Board-related expenditures when staff are shared among several boards to ensure that the majority of Board-related costs, including personnel, are tracked; 3) increase the pilot-in-training application and licensing fees to reflect inflation and help offset Board expenses; 4) revise the draft levels associated with licenses in response to overall increases in vessel draft; 5) develop statutory, regulatory, or other provisions to ensure review and evaluation of the association’s annual audits; and 6) improve the tracking of, and ensure compliance with, pilot continuing education requirements.

Pilots, State Board of

Categories of Limited Licenses (House Bill 82/Chapter 125)

This departmental bill changes the categories of limited licenses issued by the State Board of Pilots and limits operation of vessels to those drafts in effect on the limited license. Limited licenses based on vessel drafts of 32 feet, 36 feet, and 40 feet replace the current categories of 28 feet, 34 feet, and 37 feet, respectively.

Plumbing, State Board of

Extension of Termination Date (House Bill 136/Chapter 134)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Plumbing by 10 years to July 1, 2023, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2022. The bill includes the following reporting requirement. On or before October 1, 2011, the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation must submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee on: 1) the status of efforts to restructure the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing to better serve the day-to-day

operations of the State Board of Plumbing, particularly related to the Board's complaint backlog and other responsibilities; 2) the Board's disposition of consumer complaints going back to at least fiscal year 2006, including the Board's effectiveness in resolving complaints in a timely manner; 3) the imposition of fines on licensees or individuals who engage in malpractice, in particular the frequency and average amount of such fines and whether or not industry regulation and consumer protection would benefit from increasing fine amounts; 4) the size of the Board's fiscal year 2010 surplus or funding gap following the restructuring of the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing and any changes to the Board's staffing or fees necessary to address the Board's fiscal status; and 5) whether the Board has been successful in filling the vacant consumer member seat.

Police Training Commission

Identity Fraud – Uniform Reporting Form (Senate Bill 815/ Chapter 351 and House Bill 785/ Chapter 352)

This bill requires the Police Training Commission to develop a uniform identity fraud reporting form that (1) makes transmitted data available on or before October 1, 2011, for use by each law enforcement agency of State and local government; and (2) may authorize the data to be transmitted to the Consumer Sentinel program in the Federal Trade Commission. The form must be developed with the cooperation of the Office of the Attorney General, the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention, and the Federal Trade Commission.

Police Training Commission

Curriculum Expansion (Senate Bill 820/Chapter 107 and House Bill 779/Chapter 108)

This bill requires the Police Training Commission to expand the curriculum and the minimum courses of study of police training conducted by police training schools to include: special training on, attention to, and the study of the exploitation of children; the contact with and treatment of victims of crimes and delinquent acts; the notices, services, support, and rights under State law available to victims and victims' representatives; and notification of the rights of victims of identity fraud under federal law.

Police Training Commission

Public Schools – Law Enforcement Officers – Cultural Competency Model Training Curriculum (Senate Bill 1007/Chapter 370 and House Bill 983/Chapter 371)

This requires that the Police Training Commission, in consultation with MSDE, develop a cultural competency model training curriculum for law enforcement officers assigned to public schools. The bills also encourage a law enforcement officer assigned to patrol a school building or school to complete the cultural competency model training curriculum before beginning the assignment.

Professional Engineers, State Board for

Continued Professional Competency for License Renewal (House Bill 80/Chapter 124)

This departmental bill requires licensees of the State Board for Professional Engineers to demonstrate continuing professional competency as a condition of license renewal. The bill also authorizes the board to issue a retired status license under the following conditions: 1) an individual who is currently licensed in Maryland as a professional engineer; 2) has been licensed as a professional engineer for at least 25 years, of which at least 5 years were in Maryland; 3) is not the subject of a pending disciplinary action related to the practice of engineering in this or any other state; 4) submits to the Board an application on the form approved by the Board; and 5) pays to the Board a fee as set by the Board.

Professional Land Surveyors, State Board for

State Board of Professional Land Surveyors – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation (Senate Bill 147/Chapter 41)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors by 11 years to July 1, 2024. The bill requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2023. The bills also include a related reporting requirement regarding the implementation of a board member training program.

Public Accountancy, State Board of

Licensure (House Bill 407/Chapter 152)

This departmental bill clarifies that the State Board of Public Accountancy may deny licensure or a permit to an applicant or discipline a licensee or firm permit holder if the applicant, licensee, or permit holder has been sanctioned by a regulatory entity established by law for an act or omission that directly relates to the fitness of a person to practice public accountancy. The bill also establishes that a holder of a permit issued by the board may be fined up to \$5,000 for violations of the Maryland Public Accountancy Act instead of or in addition to reprimanding the permit holder or suspending or revoking a permit. To determine the amount of a fine, the board is required to consider several factors which include: the seriousness of the violation; the harm caused by the violation; the good faith of the permit holder; and any history of previous violations by the permit holder. Any penalty collected as a result of violations must be paid into the General Fund of the State.

Public Service Commission

Residential Multiple Occupancy Buildings – Master Meter- Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Services (Senate Bill 538/ Chapter 314 and House Bill 1138/ Chapter 315)

This bill authorize the Public Service Commission (PSC)to allow the use of a master electric or gas meter for HVAC services without requiring individual metering or submetering in a residential multiple-occupancy building as long as the utility bill for HVAC services is included in the rent for that unit. PSC must be satisfied that the use of a master meter will result in a net savings of energy over the energy savings that would result from individual metering or

submetering. Each individually leased or owned occupancy unit must have individual metered service for other energy services and must directly receive the utility bill for those other services. Before authorizing the use of a master meter for HVAC services, PSC may review the proposed allocation of HVAC system expenses among individual units and common areas served by the master meter. An electric company may inspect and test a master meter authorized under the bill. The bills terminate after three years, on June 30, 2013.

Public Service Commission

Electricity – Net Energy Metering - Credits (Senate Bill 355/Ch 438 and House Bill 801/ Chapter 437)

This bill alters the net energy metering program by changing the way an eligible customer-generator may accrue credits from excess generation from a kilowatt-hour (kWh) basis to a dollar basis. The bill repeals the requirement that an accrued generation credit expires at the end of a 12-month period and requires that the value of generation credits be based on the prevailing market price of electricity in the PJM Interconnection energy market. The bill also specifies the conditions under which an electric company must provide payment to an eligible customer-generator for excess generation credits. In adopting implementing regulations, PSC must consider a number of factors, including the technology available at each electric company and the appropriate value of generation credits.

The bill also requires PSC to convene a technical working group to address issues relating to the pricing mechanisms for different hours and seasons, meter aggregation, and the transfer of generation credits or aggregation of generation among separate accounts. PSC is required to report by January 11, 2011 to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee on the technical work group's recommendations.

Public Service Commission

Department of Natural Resources – Regulation of For-Hire Water Carriers (House Bill 988/ Chapter 449)

The Public Service Commission currently regulates 12 for-hire water carrier companies that have a total of 35 vessels. This bill transfers authority for regulating for-hire water carriers from PSC to DNR. A "for-hire water carrier" is a vessel used to accept or solicit passengers for (1) transportation between points along State waters in exchange for remuneration; and (2) sightseeing and touring in State waters in exchange for remuneration. Prior to registering a vessel, for-hire water carriers must show, to DNR's satisfaction, that they hold an insurance policy or a bond in an amount that is required of a motor vehicle carrying the same number of passengers in accordance with specified PSC regulations. DNR is authorized to adopt implementing regulations and encouraged to make these regulations apply the same insurance and bonding rates that are currently applied under specified PSC regulations.

Psychologists, State Board of Examiners of

Criminal History Records Checks (Senate Bill 1041/Chapter 647 and House Bill 1064/Chapter 648)

To apply for a license to practice psychology, the bills require an applicant to submit to a criminal history records check. On receipt of the information of a criminal history record of an applicant forwarded to the Board, in determining whether to grant a license or certificate, the Board must consider:

- 1) the age at which the crime was committed;
- 2) the circumstances surrounding the crime;
- 3) the length of time that has passed since the crime;
- 4) subsequent work history;
- 5) employment and character references; and
- 6) other evidence that demonstrates whether the applicant poses a threat to the public health or safety.

The bills prohibit the Board from issuing a license if the criminal history record information has not been received as required.

Real Estate Appraisers, State Board of

Licensure Requirements, Civil Penalties (House Bill 408/Chapter 153)

This departmental bill authorizes the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers and Home Inspectors to impose a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 against a licensed home inspector in lieu of or in addition to any administrative sanctions the commission deems appropriate. The bill also specifies that the commission must consider certain factors when determining whether to grant a home inspector's license to a person, renew a person's home inspector's license, or take disciplinary action against a licensed home inspector due to the criminal history of the applicant or licensee. Those factors include: the nature of the crime; the relationship of the crime to the activities authorized by the license; with respect to a felony, the relevance of the conviction to the fitness and qualification of the applicant or the licensee to provide home inspection services; the length of time since the conviction; and the behavior and activities of the applicant or licensee before and after the conviction.

Real Estate Commission, State

Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation – State Real Estate Commission – Continuing Education (House Bill 83/Chapter 386)

This bill changes the commission's continuing education requirements by requiring licensees to complete a three-clock-hour course on the principles of agency and agency disclosure once every four years. Real estate team leaders, brokers, and branch office managers must complete a three-clock-hour course on the requirements of broker supervision once every four years. The bill also establishes that continuing education course providers must pay the commission a \$25 course application fee before their courses may be offered to licensees to fulfill renewal requirements.

Retiree Health Care Funding Options, Blue Ribbon Commission to Study

Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Retiree Health Care Funding Options- Extension of Reporting and Termination Date (Senate Bill 444/Chapter 560 and House Bill 771/Chapter 561)

This extends the termination date of the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Retiree Health Care Funding Options by two years, until June 30, 2012. It also extends the deadline for submission of a final report by two years and requires the commission to submit an interim report by December 31, 2010.

Sanitation Commission, Washington Suburban

Electricians, Gas Fitters, HVAC Contractors, and Plumbers – Display Licenses and License Numbers (House Bill 956/Chapter 445)

This bill specifies that a county or municipal corporation may not require a person licensed as a plumber or gas fitter to display a county or municipal corporation certificate number on each vehicle used to provide plumbing or gas fitting services. This provision does not apply to Baltimore County or areas of the State under the jurisdiction of the Washington Suburban Sanitation Commission. Likewise, a county, other than Anne Arundel County, or a municipal corporation may not require a person licensed to provide HVACR services to display a county or municipal corporation certificate number on a work vehicle. The bill requires licensed master electricians to display either a State or a county license number on vehicles used to provide electrical services; however, counties or municipal corporations may not require electricians who already display a license number to display additional license numbers on company vehicles.

Sexual Offender Advisory Board

Composition of Board; Duties of Board (Senate Bill 856/Chapter 178 and House Bill 931/Chapter 179)

These Administration bills make the Sexual Offender Advisory Board an independent agency by removing it from the jurisdiction of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services. The composition of the board is altered by adding the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Secretary of Juvenile Services, the Director of the Maryland Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository, the Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention, or their designees and other members with expertises in areas including the prosecution and defense of sexual abuse and related crimes, and representatives with recognized expertises in the areas of sexual abuse and victimization and treatment of sexual offenders. The duties of the board are expanded to include: developing criteria for measuring a person's risk of reoffending to assist the court in determining whether a person may be appropriately released from extended sexual offender supervision; reviewing the effectiveness of the State's practices concerning sexual offenders including sexual offender registration and monitoring requirements and community notification requirements; reviewing the practices of other states; making recommendations for the management of sexual offenders, including existing and emerging technology for the tracking of and treatment of sexual offenders; studying the issue of civil commitment of sexual offenders and best practices for lowering recidivism; and developing standards for the certification of sexual offender treatment providers based on current and

evolving evidence-based practices and making recommendation for a statewide certification process. Additionally, the Board must make recommendations to the Division of Parole and Probation for training sexual offender management teams and consider ways to increase cooperation among states with regard to sexual offender registration and monitoring.

Sexual Offender Advisory Board

Assisted Living and Nursing Home Residents Protection Act of 2010 (Senate Bill 776/Chapter 608)

This bill states that the Sexual Offender Advisory Board in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall review technology for the tracking of offenders, review the effectiveness of the State's laws concerning sexual offenders, review the law of other states and jurisdictions concerning sexual offenders, review practices and procedures of the Maryland Parole Commission and the Division of Parole and Probation concerning supervision and monitoring of sexual offenders, review development in the treatment and assessment of sexual offenders, develop standards for sexual offender treatment based on current and evolving best practices, certify State sexual offender treatment programs that are in compliances with the Board's standards, and provided training for sexual offender management teams. The Board must also, review the policies and procedures relating to ensuring the protection of residents of nursing homes and assisted living facilities where sexual offenders reside or may reside, notifying residents and employees of nursing home and assisted living facilities and family member of residents of the presence of sexual offenders who reside in the nursing home or assisted living facility, employing sexual offenders in nursing homes or assisted lived facilities, requiring law enforcement notification to nursing homes and assisted living facilities if a sexual offender resides in the facility, review the laws of other states and jurisdictions concerning protecting residents of nursing homes and assisted living facilities from sexual offenders, review and report on the potential impact on health care providers of recommended changes in policies and procedures concerning sexual offenders in nursing homes and assisted living facilities, and make recommendations for protecting residents, employees, and family members of nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

Small Business Reserve Program

Procurement – Small Business Reserve Program – Sunset Extension (Senate Bill 71/Chapter 22)

This reauthorizes the Small Business Reserve (SBR) Program for six years, until September 30, 2016. The SBR program requires most State procurement units to structure their procurements so that at least 10% of the total dollar value of their procurements is made directly to small businesses.

State Board of Barbers and State Board of Cosmetologists

State Board of Barbers and State Board of Cosmetologists – Sunset Extension and Revisions (House Bill 197/Chapter 395 and SB 327)

This bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Barbers and State Board of Cosmetologists by 10 years to July 1, 2021, and requires evaluation of the boards by July 1, 2020. The bills change various statutory provisions related to the regulation of barbers and

cosmetologists in the State. In particular, the bills (1) make inspection procedures for beauty salons consistent with those of barbershops; (2) authorize the cosmetology board to increase license fees to up to \$50 for cosmetologists, senior cosmetologists, estheticians, and nail technicians; (3) change license renewal provisions for apprentice cosmetologists; and (4) require the boards to adopt regulations that detail curriculum standards for use by the State Board of Education or the Maryland Higher Education Commission in approving applications for instruction in the practice of barbering or cosmetology at public schools or private career schools. The bills also include a requirement that the boards submit reports to specified committees of the General Assembly on their implementation of specified recommendations made in the evaluation.

State Facilities, Roads, and Bridges, Advisory Committee on the Naming of
Repeal (Senate Bill 164/ Chapter 241)

This bill repeals the Advisory Committee on the Naming of State Facilities, Roads, and Bridges.

State Retirement and Pension System, Board of Trustees of the
State Retirement and Pensions System- Retiree Death Benefits (Senate Bill 497/ Chapter 308)

This bill requires the Board of Trustee of the State Retirement and Pension Systems to consider an EPS retiree who (1) previously worked for the Maryland Court of Appeals, (2) died within 30 days of retiring in March 2008, and (3) selected the basic allowance as having died while still an active member of EPS. The bill entitles the individual's surviving spouse to a lump sum death benefit consisting of the return of the deceased member's employee contributions plus interest and an amount equal to the deceased member's average final compensation at the time of retirement.

State Retirement and Pension System, Board of Trustees of the
State Retirement and Pension System – Retirees and Beneficiaries of Retirees- Annual Retirement Allowance Adjustments (Senate Bill 317/ Chapter 56 and House Bill 775/ Chapter 57)

This bill requires the retirement allowances for most State Retirement and Pension System (SRPS) retirees are not subject to cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) in fiscal 2011 if the average change in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers (CPI-U) from 2008 to 2009 is negative. If COLAs are not applied in fiscal 2011, then fiscal 2012 retirement allowances must be reduced by the difference between fiscal 2010 allowances and the allowances that would have been paid in fiscal 2011 if COLAs had been applied. The Acts do not apply to retirees of the Legislative Pension Plan or the Judges' Retirement System, whose benefits are linked to the salaries of active legislators and judges, respectively. The Acts also require the SRPS Board of Trustees to study options for addressing future situations in which the CPI-U is negative and report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly.

State Retirement and Pension System, Board of Trustees of the

Employee's Retirement and Pension Systems – Maryland School for the Deaf Retirees – Overpayment of Benefits (House Bill 768 / Chapter 435)

These bills were prompted by the discovery during the summer of 2009 that retirement benefits for approximately 50 retirees of the Employees' Pension System (EPS) or the Employees' Retirement System (ERS) had been miscalculated based on erroneous compensation data provided by the Maryland School for the Deaf (MSD), resulting in Overpayments to the retirees. The bills temporarily freeze, instead of reduce, the retirement allowances for EPS/ERS retirees who previously had worked for MSD and had their retirement benefits miscalculated. When the frozen allowances equal the allowances that the retirees should be receiving in the absence of the miscalculation, including annual COLAs, the retirees resume receiving annual COLAs.

Several bills passed during the 2010 session address the conditions under which SRPS retirees may be reemployed without being subject to a benefit reduction. The reduction is equal.

State Retirement and Pension Systems, Board of Trustees of the

Reporting Requirements for Investments in Qualified Information Technology, Green Technology, Medical Device Technology, or Bioscience Businesses (Senate Bill 793/Chapter 614)

The bill requires the Board of Trustees of the State Retirement and Pension Systems to submit a report, on or before October 1 of each year, to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the Joint Committee on Pensions that provides:

- 1) A list of venture capital funds focusing on qualified information technology, green technology, medical device technology, or bioscience businesses in which the several systems have invested and the amount invested in each venture capital fund;
- 2) A statement of the aggregate amount of assets of the several systems invested in companies headquartered in the state by all venture capital funds in which the several systems have made an investment; and
- 3) A statement of the aggregate amount of assets of the several systems invested in each of the qualified information technology, green technology, medical device technology, or bioscience businesses by all venture capital funds in which the several systems have made an investment.

Tidal Fisheries and Sport Fisheries Advisory Commissions

Membership Changes (Senate Bill 84/ Chapter 219)

This departmental bill staggers the membership terms of the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission and the Sport Fisheries Advisory Commission within the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The bill also adds three members to both commissions, and requires that the composition of the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission reflect the geographic regions of the State where the commercial fishing industry operates.

Veterinary Medical Examiners, State Board of

State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners – License Suspensions and Revocations – Maximum Penalties (Senate Bill 81/Chapter 30)

This modifies provisions that currently limit to \$5,000 the amount of a monetary penalty that the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners (SBVME) may impose. In lieu of or in addition to suspension of a license, or in addition to revocation of the license, SBVME may impose a penalty of up to \$5,000 for a first offense. For a second or subsequent offense, in addition to suspension or revocation of the license, SBVME may impose a penalty of up to \$10,000.

Video Lottery Facility Location Commission

Clarification of Licensing Authority (Senate Bill 882/Chapter 624)

This bill clarifies that a video lottery operation license is not valid at a geographic location other than the geographic location authorized in the license awarded by the Video Lottery Facility Location Commission and issued by the State Lottery Commission.

The bill includes the Video Lottery Facility Location Commission, if applicable, as an agency (in addition to the State Lottery Commission) to which an applicant must provide information and satisfy requests for information relating to qualifications for licensing.

Additionally, the bill requires the Video Lottery Facility Location Commission, after an award of a video lottery operation license, to notify the State Lottery Commission of the successful applicants.

Waterworks and Waste System Operators, State Board of

Environment – State Board of Waterworks and Waste Systems Operators – Sunset Extension and Revisions (House Bill 487/Chapter 416)

The bill extends the termination date for the State Board of Waterworks and Waste Systems Operators from July 1, 2011, to July 1, 2021, and requires an evaluation of the board by July 1, 2020. The bill also requires that the board, in conjunction with MDE, report to specified committees of the General Assembly by October 1, 2011, on several matters related to the board, including updating the board's databases. The board's composition is altered to replace the representative from DNR with a representative from the Maryland Environmental Service. Finally, the bill eliminates several obsolete provisions and also clarifies that it is the duty of MDE, and not the board, to enforce the requirement that facilities employ certified superintendents and operators.

Part VI
Reports to the General Assembly
And Its Committees

Department of Legislative Services
Annapolis, Maryland

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Citation	Agency	Topic
SB 347, Ch. 547 ART 24 § 2-101(b)(1)	A political subdivision is authorized to incur debt	<p>(b)(1) If a political subdivision is authorized to incur debt to be redeemed from a fee, charge, or the proceeds of a levy, the financial officer of the political subdivision shall submit to the Department and State Treasurer, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, a comprehensive report on the financial condition of the political subdivision as of the end of that fiscal year.</p> <p>(2) a political subdivision shall submit the report required under paragraph (1) of this subsection in accordance with the timeframes required under Article 19, § 37 of the Code for the submission to the Department of annual financial reports of counties, municipal corporations, and special taxing districts. [Amends the timeframes for the submission of reports.]</p>
SB 470, Ch. 72 ART 24 § 2-101(b)(1)	A political subdivision is authorized to incur debt	<p>(b)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, if a political subdivision is authorized to incur debt to be redeemed from a fee, charge, or the proceeds of a levy, then within 120 days after the end of the fiscal year of the political subdivision, its financial officer shall submit to the State Treasurer and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Department [of Legislative Services] a comprehensive report on the financial condition of the political subdivision as of the end of that fiscal year.</p> <p>(2) If a political subdivision subject to the provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection has a population of more than 400,000, the report required under paragraph (1) of this subsection may be submitted within 180 days after the end of the fiscal year of the political subdivision.</p> <p>(c) A report under this section shall be on the form that the Department provides. [DRAFTER’S NOTE: Error: Misplaced language in light of the fact that reports to the Department [of Legislative Services] are subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, while reports to the State Treasurer are not. Occurred: Ch. 693, Acts of 2009.]</p>
SB 454, Ch. 300 HB 459, Ch. 301 SG § 10-110(c)	All Agencies - the promulgating unit	<p>At least 15 days before the date a proposed regulation is submitted to the Maryland Register for publication under § 10-112 of this subtitle, the promulgating unit shall submit the proposed regulation to the Committee [on Administrative, Executive, and Legislative Review] and the Department of Legislative Services. [Reenactment.]</p>
HB 162, Ch. 136 HG § 18-214.1(f)	Baltimore City Health Department	<p>On or before December 31, 2007, and each year thereafter, the Baltimore City Health Department shall report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on the operation and performance of the Expedited Partner Therapy Pilot Program. [Extends termination date of program to 6/30/2015.]</p>

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HB 111, Ch. 654 ART 25 § 32A	board of county commissioners or county council of any county	Whenever the board of county commissioners or county council of any county in this State publishes or issues in printed, mimeographed or similar duplicated form a code or compilation containing all or a portion of the public local laws of the county, the board or council shall deposit printed copies free of charge with the following State agencies: State Archives, one copy; State Law Library, one copy; State Department of Legislative Services, five copies. [Clarifies requirement.]
SB 130, Ch. 229 HB 250, Ch. 230 SF § 14-303(a)(1)(ii)	Board of Public Works	The Board [of Public Works] shall keep a record of the number of waivers requested and the number of waivers granted each year under subsection (b)(8) of this section [Minority Business Enterprises - State Contracts] and submit a copy of the record to the General Assembly on or before October 1 of each year, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article. [Reenactment.]
SB 131, Ch. 231 HB 251, Ch. 232 SF § 14-303(a)(1)(ii)	Board of Public Works	The Board [of Public Works] shall keep a record of the number of waivers requested and the number of waivers granted each year under subsection (b)(8) of this section [Minority Business Enterprises - State Contracts] and submit a copy of the record to the General Assembly on or before October 1 of each year, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article. [Reenactment.]
SB 546, Ch. 578 HB 923, Ch. 579 SF § 14-303(a)(1)(ii)	Board of Public Works	The Board [of Public Works] shall keep a record of the number of waivers requested and the number of waivers granted each year under subsection (b)(8) of this section [Minority Business Enterprises - State Contracts] and submit a copy of the record to the General Assembly on or before October 1 of each year, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article. [Reenactment.]
SB 71, Ch. 22 SF § 14-505(b)	Board of Public Works	(a) Within 90 days after the end of each fiscal year, each designated procurement unit shall submit a report on the operation and effectiveness of the Small Business Reserve Program that complies with subsection (d)(2) of this section to the Board of Public Works. (b) Within 60 days after receipt of all reports required under subsection (a) of this section, the Board of Public Works shall compile the information and report on the operation and effectiveness of the entire Small Business Reserve Program to the Legislative Policy Committee, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article. [Repeals termination date.]
HB 766, Ch. 695 SF § 8-112(b)	Capital Debt Affordability Committee	On or before October 1 of each year, the [Capital Debt Affordability] Committee shall submit to the Governor and the General Assembly the Committee's estimate of the total amount of new State debt that prudently may be authorized for the next fiscal year. [Changes due date to October 1.]

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HB 766, Ch. 695 SF § 8-112(e)(3)	Capital Debt Affordability Committee	At the same time that the [Capital Debt Affordability] Committee makes its report as required under subsection (b) of this section, the Committee shall submit to the Governor and the General Assembly the Committee's estimate of the amount of new bonds for academic facilities that prudently may be authorized in the aggregate for the next fiscal year by the University System of Maryland, Morgan State University, St. Mary's College of Maryland, and Baltimore City Community College. [Reenactment.]
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 SF § 10A-102(d)	Capital Debt Affordability Committee	The annual report of the Capital Debt Affordability Committee required under § 8–112 of this Article shall include an analysis of the aggregate impact of Public–Private Partnership operating leases agreements on the total amount of new state debt that prudently may be authorized for the next fiscal year [Adds to existing report.]
HB 111, Ch. 654 ART 25A § 7	Chartered Counties of Maryland	<p>(a)(1) At the end of each calendar or fiscal year, each charter county shall furnish in a convenient and legible compilation a complete set of all laws enacted during that year under the “Express Powers Act” in § 5 of this Article, whether to enact, amend, or repeal a local law.</p> <p>(2) The laws in the compilation shall be in numerical sequence, beginning with No. 1, and in a separate series for each year.</p> <p>(b)(1) Copies of this compilation shall be :</p> <p>(i) Made available for inspection at the office of the county council, county executive, or county manager, during normal business hours; and</p> <p>(ii) Kept on permanent record in the same office.</p> <p>(2) each charter county shall:</p> <p>(i) furnish printed copies of the compilation to the State Archives, and the State Law Library; and</p> <p>(ii) once each year:</p> <p>1. Notify each member of the county’s legislative delegation that a digital copy of the compilation is available on the internet; or</p> <p>2. Furnish a printed copy of the compilation to each member of the county’s legislative delegation.</p> <p>(3) Copies under paragraph (2) of this subsection shall be furnished without charge, and the county also may make other copies available at a reasonable cost to any person.</p> <p>(c) Not later than March 1 of the next succeeding year, the charter county, without charge, shall furnish 4 printed copies of the compilation to the State Department of Legislative Services.</p> <p>(d)(1) each charter county shall provide to the State Department of Legislative Services a statement concerning any referendum on any proposed local law.</p> <p>(2) The statement shall include information on the results of any referendum held during the year, and it shall include information as to any referendum pending actually or potentially, but not yet held, at the end of the year.</p> <p>(e)(1) At the end of each calendar year the State Department of Legislative Services shall address an inquiry to each charter county inquiring whether or not during that calendar year or its latest fiscal year it has enacted, amended or repealed any portion of its laws under the “Express Powers Act”.</p> <p>(2) The charter county shall promptly answer the inquiry and</p>

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		<p>shall verify that printed copies: of all such enactments, amendments, or repeals have already been sent to the Department.</p> <p>(f)(1) If the charter county , fails or refuses to supply printed copies of this compilation and of the results of any referenda thereon to the State Department of Legislative Services by March 1 of the next succeeding year, or fails or refuses to certify that there have been no such enactments, amendments, or repeals, or referenda, during the last calendar or fiscal year, the Department shall promptly certify that fact to the State Comptroller, who then may order the discontinuance of all funds, grants or State aid which the charter county is entitled to receive under State law.</p> <p>(2) This section refers specifically to all funds, grants or State aid which the charter county is entitled to receive under applicable provisions of State law relating to the income tax, the tax on racing, the recordation tax, the admissions and amusement tax, and the license tax.</p> <p>(g)(1) The State Department of Legislative Services shall receive the compilations and statements delivered to it.</p> <p>(2) The titles of the laws of the several charter counties which amend their codes of public local laws shall be arranged in a logical and convenient order and shall be delivered to the State printer for inclusion in the Session Laws of the General Assembly for its regular session in that year.</p> <p>(3) The titles of the laws of the charter counties which amend their codes of public local laws shall be printed and identified as such, and they shall be indexed with or in a supplemental volume to the laws enacted by the General Assembly.</p> <p>(h) Whenever the county council of any county in this State publishes or issues in printed, mimeographed, or similar duplicated form a code or compilation containing all or a portion of the public local laws of the county, the council shall deposit printed copies free of charge with the following State agencies: State Archives, 1 copy; State Law Library, 1 copy; State Department of Legislative Services, 5 copies</p> <p>[Authorizes a charter or code county to notify specified entities that a digital copy of a specified compilation of laws is available on the Internet.]</p>
SB 469, Ch. 71 CJ § 3-8C-12	Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals	<p>On or before November 1 of each year, the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on each Truancy Reduction Pilot Program established under this subtitle.</p> <p>[DRAFTER’S NOTE: Error: Function paragraph of bill being cured incorrectly indicated that § 3-8C-11, rather than § 3-8C-12, of the Courts Article was being added. Occurred: Chapter 718 (House Bill 1321) of the Acts of 2009.]</p>

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SB 470, Ch. 72 HG § 15-205(a)	Comptroller	<p>(a) The Department [of Health and Mental Hygiene] shall, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, provide the Governor and the General Assembly with an annual report summarizing the Program [Maryland AIDS Insurance Assistance Program] expenditures, numbers of recipients, Program effectiveness, the estimated savings to the Maryland Medical Assistance Program, additional costs incurred by private insurance companies, and the loss of federal funding.</p> <p>(b) Survey of recipients.- The Department may periodically survey recipients to gather information for the annual report.</p> <p>[DRAFTER'S NOTE: Error: Misnomer in § 15-205(a) of the Health – General Article. Occurred: Ch. 188, Acts of 1990.]</p>
HB 464, Ch. 493 TG § 10-720(e)(2)(i)	Comptroller of Maryland Maryland Energy Administration	<p>On or before October 1, 2007 and each year thereafter, the Comptroller and the [Energy] Administration jointly shall submit to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly a written report regarding:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the number of certifications and taxpayers claiming the credit under this section; 2. the name and physical location of each taxpayer issued an initial credit certificate; 3. the maximum credit amount approved for each taxpayer; 4. the geographical distribution of the credits claimed; and 5. any other available information the administration determines to be meaningful and appropriate. <p>(ii) the Comptroller shall ensure that the information is presented and classified in a manner consistent with the confidentiality of tax return information.</p> <p>[Reenactment.]</p>
SB 336, Ch. 543 TG § 10-110(f)	Comptroller Department of Budget and Management Maryland Business Tax Reform Commission	<p>On or before December 15, 2010, the [Maryland Business Tax Reform] Commission shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: TG § 10-110(d) the Comptroller and the Department of Budget and Management shall provide staff support to the Commission.</p> <p>[Changes this interim report to a final report.]</p>
SB 95, Ch. 36 AG § 2-506	Department of Agriculture	<p>The [Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation] Foundation on or before January 15 of each year, shall transmit to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly a report of the Foundation's proceedings and activity for the preceding fiscal year, including an inventory of all easements or other interests in agricultural land and woodland acquired during that time, and including a report on the condition of the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Fund.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: Agriculture Article § 2-502 There is a Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation in the Department [of Agriculture].</p> <p>[Changes due date from November to January.]</p>

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SB 55, Ch. 15 EC § 11-207	Department of Business & Economic Development Maryland Military Installation Council	On or before December 31 of each year, the [Maryland Military Installation] Council shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly. Staffing Statement: Economic Development § 11-205 The Department [of Business and Economic Development] shall provide staff support to the Council. [Repeals termination date of Council.]
SB 52, Ch. 207 HU § 7-113(f)	Department of Disabilities	The Secretary [of the Department of Disabilities] shall submit an annual analysis of the State's progress in implementing the State Disabilities Plan and related performance objectives to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly on or before October 1 of each year. [Reenactment.]
SB 87, Ch. 33 ED § 7-4B-05(d)	Department of Education	On or before August 1 of each year, the Department [of Education] shall, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, submit to the General Assembly a report of compliance with the provisions of this subtitle. [Fitness and Athletics Equity for Students with Disabilities Act] [Changes due date from May to August.]
SB 74, Ch. 25 ED § 5-401(k)(2)	Department of Education State Superintendent of Schools	(1) The State Superintendent shall review academic intervention programs and behavior modification programs to identify best practices. (2) The State Superintendent shall periodically report on the best practices to the State Board, the county boards, the Governor, and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly. [Reenactment.]
HB 899, Ch. 711 HG § 15-135(g)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene	On or before January 1 of each year, the Department [of Health and Mental Hygiene], and the Department's designee, shall report to the Governor and the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on: (1) The Department's efforts to promote home- and community-based services; (2) The number of nursing facility residents referred or identified under subsections (c) and (d) of this section in the previous year; (3) The number of nursing facility residents who transitioned from nursing facilities to home- and community-based waiver services; (4) Any obstacles the Department confronted in assisting nursing home residents to make the transition from a nursing facility to a community-based residence; and (5) The Department's recommendations for removing the obstacles. [Reenactment.]

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<p>SB 633, Ch. 497 HB 1034, Ch. 498 HG § 13-809</p>	<p>Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission</p>	<p>On or before October 1 of each year, the [Community Services Reimbursement Rate] Commission shall issue a report to the Governor, the Secretary, and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Describes its findings regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The changes in wages paid by providers to direct care workers; (ii) The financial condition of providers, the ability of providers to operate on a solvent basis in the delivery of effective and efficient services that are in the public interest, and the impact of the annual inflationary cost adjustment as set forth in § 13-806 16-201.2(c) of this article, on the financial condition of providers; (iii) The incentives and disincentives incorporated in the rate setting methodologies utilized and proposed by the Mental Hygiene Administration and the Developmental Disabilities Administration and how the methodologies might be improved; (iv) How incentives to provide quality of care can be built into a rate setting methodology; (v) The recommended weighted average cost structure of providers as set forth in § 13-806 of this subtitle, for the next succeeding fiscal year; and (vi) any additional recommendations regarding rate-setting methodologies to align provider rates with reasonable costs; (2) Recommends the need for any formal executive, judicial, or legislative action; (3) Describes issues in need of future study by the Commission; and (4) Discusses any other matter that relates to the purposes of the Commission under this subtitle. <p>[Adds to reporting requirement.]</p>
<p>SB 465, Ch. 501 HB 900, Ch. 502 HG § 7-1006(c)(4)(i)</p>	<p>Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Developmental Disabilities Administration Department of Disabilities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) On or before July 1 of each year, the Developmental Disabilities Administration and the Department of Disabilities shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, summarizing the statewide and regional information provided by the state residential centers in paragraph (3) of this subsection. (ii) The data shall be incorporated in the State's Olmsted plan, with recommendations to address the barriers that prevent individuals from living in the most integrated setting appropriate to meet the individual's needs. <p>[Reenactment.]</p>

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<p>SB 470, Ch. 72 HG § 19-109(b)(4)</p>	<p>Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Maryland Health Care Commission</p>	<p>In addition to the duties set forth elsewhere in this subtitle, the [Maryland Health Care] Commission shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Adopt rules and regulations that relate to its meetings, minutes, and transactions; (2) Keep minutes of each meeting; (3) Prepare annually a budget proposal that includes the estimated income of the Commission and proposed expenses for its administration and operation; (4) Beginning December 1, 2000, and each December 1 thereafter, submit to the Governor, the Secretary, and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly an annual report on the operations and activities of the [Maryland Health Care] Commission during the preceding fiscal year, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) A copy of each summary, compilation, and supplementary report required by this subtitle; and (ii) Any other fact, suggestion, or policy recommendation that the Commission considers necessary; and (5) Except for confidential or privileged medical or patient information, make: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Each report filed and each summary, compilation, and report required under this subtitle available for public inspection at the office of the Commission during regular business hours; and (ii) Each summary, compilation, and report available to any other State agency on request. <p>[DRAFTER'S NOTE: Error: Omitted hyphen and extraneous language in § 19-109(a)(3) and (b)(4) of the Health – General Article. Occurred: Ch. 702, Acts of 1999.]</p>
<p>HB 411, Ch. 672(2) HG § 18-214(k)</p>	<p>Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Statewide Advisory Commission on Immunizations</p>	<p>On or before December 15 of each year, the [Statewide Advisory] Commission [on Immunizations] shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the Health and Government Operations Committee.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: Health General § 18-214(g) Staffing.- The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall provide the staffing for the Commission.</p> <p>[Repeals the termination date, changes code cite.]</p>

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<p>SB 527, Ch. 310 HB 693, Ch. 311 HG § 24-1205(b)</p>	<p>Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Maryland State Association of United Ways</p>	<p>(a) The [Health and Human Services Referral] Board shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) maintain public information available from state agencies, programs, and departments that provide health and human services; (2) support projects and activities that further the development of 2-1-1 Maryland; (3) examine and make recommendations to maximize the use of information technology in making 2-1-1 services available throughout the state; and (4) evaluate the performance of each 2-1-1 Maryland Call Center; (5) make recommendations to 2-1-1 Maryland regarding the quality of service provided by call centers or the performance of call centers when issues related to service quality and performance are presented to the board; (6) make recommendations regarding corrective action to be taken by a call center, as appropriate; and (7) develop policies and procedures governing conflict of interest standards for board members. <p>(b) On or before December 31, 2005, and every year thereafter, the Board shall report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly on the activities performed under subsection (a) of this section.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: § 24-1204 (a) There is a Health and Human Services Referral Board in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.</p> <p>(h) Staffing.- The Maryland State Association of United Ways shall provide staff to the Board.</p> <p>[Changes code cite from 24-1204 to 24-1205 and codifies Board and Duties.]</p>
<p>HB 475, Ch. 487 HS § 6-210(b)</p>	<p>Department of Housing & Community Development</p>	<p>(1) The Department [of Housing & Community Development] shall submit an annual report to the Governor and, subject to 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly on or before each October 31.</p> <p>(2) The report shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the financial status of the Program for the preceding fiscal year, including the amount and type of financial assistance encumbered and disbursed; (ii) the number of applications received; (iii) the number and location of sustainable communities designated; and (iv) a summary of the quarterly reports submitted by sponsors under subsection (a) of this section. <p>[Abolishes the Community Legacy Board and authorizes the Department Housing and Community Development to administer the Community Legacy Program. Changes code cite.]</p>

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SB 208, Ch. 250 HB 834, Ch. 251 SF § 6-211(c)(4)	Department of Housing & Community Development	(c) the Department of Housing and Community Development shall: ... (4) report annually to the Governor, the Treasurer, and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on overall performance of the Linked Deposit Program. [Reenactment.]
HB 1043, Ch. 453 CP § 11-923(f)	Department of Human Resources	The Secretary of Human Resources shall include a report on the sexual assault crisis programs in the Department of Human Resources annual report to the General Assembly. [Reenactment.]
SB 252, Ch. 262 HB 500, Ch. 263 FL § 12-202(c)	Department of Human Resources	On or before January 1, 1993, and at least every 4 years after that date, the Child Support Enforcement Administration of the Department of Human Resources shall: (1) review the guidelines set forth in this subtitle to ensure that the application of the guidelines results in the determination of appropriate child support award amounts; and (2) report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article. [Reenactment.]
SB 221, Ch. 252 ED § 21-309(i)	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation	The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall administer the [Work, Not Welfare, and Qualifying Employees with Disabilities] tax credit and report to the Governor, and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly, before January 15 of each year on: (1) Marketing activities for the credit under this section; (2) The number of business entities who hired a qualified employee with a disability during the preceding year; (3) The number of qualified employees with disabilities: (i) Hired in each business sector for the preceding year; and (ii) Hired during the preceding year and employed for less than 1 year; (4) A summary of the average hourly wages paid to qualified employees with disabilities for the preceding year; (5) The number and amount of credits claimed during the preceding year; and (6) The number and amount of credits claimed for child care or transportation expenses, including a summary of the types of transportation expenses incurred by business entities. [Changes termination date to June 30, 2011.]
SB 34, Ch. 515 HB 267, Ch. 516 SG § 2-10A-11(h)	Department of Legislative Services	The Committee [on Unemployment Insurance Oversight] shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of this article, the General Assembly on December 31 of each year. Staffing Statement: SG § 2-10A-11(f)(1) the Department of Legislative Services shall provide staffing for the Committee. [Repeals termination date.]

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SB 34, Ch. 515 HB 267, Ch. 516 SG § 2-10A-11(f)(2)	Department of Legislative Services	(2) The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall report to the Committee on the condition of unemployment insurance in the State. Staffing Statement: SG § 2-10A-11(f)(1) the Department of Legislative Services shall provide staffing for the Committee. [Repeals termination date.]
SB 323, Ch. 58 HB 189, Ch. 59 SG § 2-1220(e)	Department of Legislative Services Legislative Auditor	(1) at least once every 6 years, the Office of Legislative Audits shall conduct an audit of each local school system to evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of the financial management practices of the local school system. (2) The audits may be performed concurrently or separately. (3) The Office of Legislative Audits shall provide information regarding the audit process to the local school system before the audit is conducted. [Changes this to an ongoing report that must be conducted at least once every 6 years.]
SB 444, Ch. 560 HB 771, Ch. 561 SPP § 34-201(g)(2)	Department of Legislative Services Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Retiree Health Care Funding Options	On or before December 31, 2010, the Commission [to Study Retiree Health Care Funding Options] shall issue a second interim report of its findings to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly. Staffing Statement: (f)(1) the Commission shall be staffed by the Department of Legislative Services. [2 of 3 reports. Creates a new report and extends expiration date of Commission.]
SB 444, Ch. 560 HB 771, Ch. 561 SPP § 34-201(g)(3)	Department of Legislative Services Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Retiree Health Care Funding Options	On or before December 31, 2011, the Commission [to Study Retiree Health Care Funding Options] shall issue a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly. Staffing Statement: (f)(1) the Commission shall be staffed by the Department of Legislative Services. [3 of 3 reports. Creates a new report and extends expiration date of Commission.]
SB 655, Ch. 93 HB 384, Ch. 94	Department of Legislative Services Task Force to Study Financial Matters Relating to Long-Term Care Facilities	(g)(1) On or before July 1, 2011, the Task Force [to Study Financial Matters Relating to Long-Term Care Facilities] shall submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly. Staffing Statement: (d) The Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Task Force. [Extends task force and changes due dates of reports. 1 of 2 reports.]

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SB 655, Ch. 93 HB 384, Ch. 94	Department of Legislative Services Task Force to Study Financial Matters Relating to Long-Term Care Facilities	(g)(2) On or before June 1, 2012, the Task Force [to Study Financial Matters Relating to Long-Term Care Facilities] shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly. Staffing Statement: (d) The Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Task Force. [Extends task force and changes due dates of reports. 2 of 2 reports.]
SB 325, Ch. 542 HO § 4-501.1(d)	Department of Legislative Services Legislative Auditor	(d) The Legislative Auditor shall audit the accounts and transactions of the Dental Well-Being Committee as provided in § 2-1220 of the State Government Article. [Changes name to Dental Well-Being Committee.]
SB 325, Ch. 542 HO § 4-508(d)	Department of Legislative Services Legislative Auditor	(d) The Legislative Auditor shall audit the accounts and transactions of the Hygiene Well-Being Committee as provided in § 2-1220 of the State Government Article. [Changes name to Hygiene Well-Being Committee.]
SB 29, Ch. 205 NR § 4-215(g)	Department of Natural Resources Fisheries Service	The Department [of Natural Resources] shall present the management plans under this section in the form of an annual report, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to: (1) The Legislative Policy Committee; (2) The Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee; and (3) The Environmental Matters Committee. [Changes code cite from (f) to (g).]
HB 475, Ch. 487(2) SF § 5A-303(h)	Department of Planning Maryland Historical Trust	(h)(1) On or before December 15 of each fiscal year, the Director shall report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly, on: (i) the initial credit certificates awarded for commercial rehabilitations under this section for that fiscal year; (ii) the tax credits awarded for certified rehabilitations completed in the preceding fiscal year; and (iii) whether the tax credits awarded for certified rehabilitations completed in the preceding fiscal year were located in: 1. a Main Street Maryland Community; 2. beginning in fiscal 2012, a sustainable community; 3. a local historic district; or 4. a national register district. (2) The report required under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall include for each initial credit certificate awarded for the fiscal year for a commercial rehabilitation: (i) the name of the owner or developer of the commercial rehabilitation; (ii) the name and address of the proposed or certified rehabilitation and the county where the project is located; (iii) the dates of receipt and approval by the Director of all applications regarding the project, including applications: 1. for certification that a structure or property will qualify as a certified historic structure or a qualified rehabilitated structure; 2. for approval of the proposed rehabilitation; and (iv) the maximum amount of the credit stated in the initial

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		<p>credit certificate for the project and the estimated rehabilitation expenditures stated in the application for approval of the plan of proposed rehabilitation.</p> <p>(3) The report required under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall include for each certified commercial rehabilitation completed during the preceding fiscal year:</p> <p>(i) the name of the owner or developer of the commercial rehabilitation;</p> <p>(ii) the name and address of the certified rehabilitation and the county where the project is located;</p> <p>(iii) the dates of receipt and approval by the Director of all applications regarding the project; and</p> <p>(iv) 1. the maximum amount of the credit stated in the initial credit certificate for the project and the estimated rehabilitation expenditures stated in the application for approval of the plan of proposed rehabilitation; and</p> <p>2. the actual qualified rehabilitation expenditures and the final amount of the credit for which the project qualified.</p> <p>(4) The report required under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall summarize for each category of certified rehabilitations:</p> <p>(i) the total number of applicants for:</p> <p>1. certification that a structure or property will qualify as a certified historic structure or a qualified rehabilitated structure;</p> <p>2. approval of plans of proposed rehabilitations; or</p> <p>3. certification of the completed rehabilitations;</p> <p>(ii) the number of proposed projects for which plans of proposed rehabilitation were approved; and</p> <p>(iii) the total estimated rehabilitation expenditures stated in approved applications for approval of plans of proposed rehabilitation and the total qualified rehabilitation expenditures for completed rehabilitations certified.</p> <p>(5) The information required under paragraph (4) of this subsection shall be provided in the aggregate and separately for each of the following categories of certified rehabilitations:</p> <p>(i) owner-occupied single family residential structures; and</p> <p>(ii) commercial rehabilitations.</p> <p>(i) (1) Subject to the provisions of this subsection, the provisions of this section and the tax credit authorized under this section shall terminate as of July 1, 2014.</p> <p>(2) On and after July 1, 2014:</p> <p>(i) the tax credit authorized under this section may be claimed for:</p> <p>1. a rehabilitation project, other than a commercial rehabilitation, for which an application for approval of a plan of proposed rehabilitation was received by the Director on or before June 30, 2014; or</p> <p>2. a commercial rehabilitation for which an initial credit certificate has been awarded under subsection (d) of this section; and</p> <p>(ii) the Director shall continue to report to the Governor and the General Assembly as required under subsection (h) of this section for as long as any rehabilitation project for which the tax credit may be claimed remains incomplete.</p> <p>[Extends and alters the report to be the Sustainable Communities Tax Credit Program.]</p>

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HB 475, Ch. 487 SG § 9-1406(h)(1)(v)	Department of Planning Smart Growth Subcabinet	<p>(h)The [Smart Growth] Subcabinet shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) provide a forum for discussion of interdepartmental issues relating to activities that affect growth, development, neighborhood conservation, and resource management; (ii) work together using all available resources to promote the understanding of smart growth; (iii) work together to create, enhance, support, and revitalize sustainable communities across the state; (iv) subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, make recommendations to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the Department of Business and Economic Development in accordance with § 5–1304 of the Economic Development Article; 2. the Department of Housing and Community Development in accordance with § 6–206 of the Housing and Community Development Article; 3. the Department of Planning in accordance with § 5–904 of the State Finance and Procurement Article; and 4. the Department of Transportation in accordance with § 7–101 of the Transportation Article; (v) in coordination with State agencies, evaluate and report annually to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of this Article, to the General Assembly on the implementation of the State’s smart growth policy; and (vi) perform other duties assigned by the Governor. <p>(2) the failure of the subcabinet to make a recommendation under paragraph (1)(iv) of this subsection may not be construed as prohibiting a department to act in accordance with the Department’s authority under State law.</p> <p>[Changes code cite from (h)(3) to (h)(1)(v), and clarifies reporting requirement.]</p>
SB 856, Ch. 178 HB 931, Ch. 179 PS § 1-401(h)	Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services	<p>On or before December 31, 2010, and every year thereafter, the [Sexual Offender Advisory] Board shall report the findings and recommendations of the Board to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: PS § 1-401(j) The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services shall provide staff to the Board.</p> <p>[Changes the first due date to 2010 and repeals DHMH as staff.]</p>
HB 1425, Ch. 469 EN § 1-301(d)	Department of the Environment	<p>(1)(i) On or before October 1 of each year, the Secretary [of the Department of Environment], in consultation with the Attorney General, shall submit to the Legislative Policy Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, a report on enforcement activities conducted by the Department during the previous fiscal year.</p> <p>[Reenactment.]</p>

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SB 1117, Ch. 377 EN § 4-411(h)	Department of the Environment	<p>The Department [of the Environment] shall provide the standing committees of the Maryland General Assembly with primary jurisdiction over this section with a status report on the [Maryland Oil Disaster Containment, Clean-Up and Contingency] Fund on or before October 1 of each year. The report shall include an accounting of all moneys expended for each of the purposes specified in subsection (g) of this section.</p> <p>[Reenactment.]</p>
SB 60, Ch. 211 EN § 1-701(i)	Department of the Environment	<p>On or before October 1 of each year, the Commission [on Environmental Justice and Sustainable Communities] shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: (F) The Department [of Environment] shall provide staff for the Commission.</p> <p>[Reenactment.]</p>
HB 1155, Ch. 725 TR § 2-103.1(g)	Department of Transportation	<p>(g) Beginning with the year 2002 State Report on Transportation and continuing thereafter, before the General Assembly considers the proposed Maryland Transportation Plan and the proposed Consolidated Transportation Program, the Department shall submit an annual report on the attainment of transportation goals and benchmarks for the approved and proposed Maryland Transportation Plan and the approved and proposed Consolidated Transportation Program to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly.</p> <p>(h)(1) The report required under subsection (g) of this section shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The establishment of certain measurable performance indicators or benchmarks, in priority funding areas at a minimum, designed to quantify the goals and objectives specified in the Maryland Transportation Plan; and (ii) The degree to which the projects and programs contained in the approved Maryland Transportation Plan and Consolidated Transportation Program attain those goals and benchmarks as measured by the performance indicators or benchmarks. <p>(2) The Department shall include in its report measurable long-term goals, and intermediate benchmarks of progress toward the attainment of the long-term goals, for the following measurable transportation indicators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) An increase in the share of total person trips for each of transit, high occupancy auto, pedestrian, and bicycle modes of travel; (ii) A decrease in indicators of traffic congestion as determined by the Department; and (iii) Any other performance goals established by the Department for reducing automobile traffic and increasing the use of nonautomobile traffic. <p>(3) the performance indicators or benchmarks described in this subsection shall acknowledge the difference between urban and rural transportation needs.</p> <p>[Adds (h)(3).]</p>

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HB 1155, Ch. 725 TR § 2-103.1(m)(1)(i)(1)	Department of Transportation	<p>(i) Subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article: 1. On or before September 1 of each year, the Department [of Transportation] shall submit copies of the proposed consolidated transportation program and the supporting financial forecast to the General Assembly ... (ii) Notwithstanding § 2-1246(b)(2) of the State Government Article, the Department shall provide to each member of the General Assembly a copy of the proposed consolidated transportation program and the approved Consolidated Transportation Program. [Changes code cite from (l) to (m).]</p>
SB 368, Ch. 548 TR § 2-103.4(b)(3)	Department of Transportation	<p>(b)(1) In the exercise of the Secretary’s powers under this section, the Secretary may: (i) Create any position in accordance with State law; and (ii) Subject to subsection (b–1) of this section, determine the qualifications, appointment, removal, tenure, terms of employment, and compensation of employees unless otherwise prohibited by law. (2) The Secretary shall designate executive service employee and commission plan employee positions in the Human Resources Management System that: (i) Must be filled without regard to political affiliation, belief, or opinion; or (ii) In accordance with the criteria established under § 6–405(b) of the State Personnel and Pensions Article, may be filled with regard to political affiliation, belief, or opinion. (3) On an annual basis, the Secretary [of the Department of Transportation] shall report on the total number of positions designated under paragraph (2) of this subsection to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly. [Changes requirement.]</p>
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 TR § 4-205(c)(2)	Department of Transportation Maryland Transportation Authority	<p>(1) Subject to the limitations described in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the [Maryland Transportation] Authority may make any contracts and agreements necessary or incidental to the exercise of its powers and performance of its duties. (2) Not less than 45 days before entering into any contract or agreement to acquire or construct a revenue-producing transportation facilities project, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Authority shall provide, to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the House Committee on Ways and Means, and the House Appropriations Committee, for review and comment, and to the Department of Legislative Services, a description of the proposed project, a summary of the contract or agreement, and a financing plan that details: (i) The estimated annual revenue from the issuance of bonds to finance the project; and (ii) The estimated impact of the issuance of bonds to finance the project on the bonding capacity of the Authority. [Removes paragraph (3).]</p>

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HB 511, Ch. 682 ART 19 § 37(a)	each county, Municipal Corporation, & Taxing District in the State St. Mary's County	<p>(a)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each county, Municipal Corporation, and taxing district in the State shall by the first day of November after the close of the fiscal year file with the Department of Legislative Services its financial report covering the full period of that fiscal year.</p> <p>(2)(i) Each county, Municipal Corporation or taxing district with a population of more than 400,000 may by the first day of January after the close of the fiscal year file with the Department of Legislative Services its financial report covering the full period of that fiscal year.</p> <p>(ii) Unless subparagraph (i) of this paragraph applies, Howard County may by the first day of December after the close of the fiscal year file with the Department of Legislative Services its financial report covering the full period of that fiscal year.</p> <p>(iii) Frederick County may by the first day of January after the close of the fiscal year file with the Department of Legislative Services its financial report covering the full period of that fiscal year.</p> <p>(iv) St. Mary's County may by the first day of January after the close of the fiscal year file with the Department of Legislative Services its financial report covering the full period of that fiscal year.</p> <p>(v) Wicomico County may by the first day of January after the close of the fiscal year file with the Department of Legislative Services its financial report covering the full period of that fiscal year.</p> <p>(b) The reports required by subsection (a) of this section shall be:</p> <p>(1) Properly filled in on the form or forms established by the Department as provided in this subtitle; and</p> <p>(2) Verified by the Chief Executive Officer of each County, Municipal Corporation, and taxing district.</p> <p>[Alters the date by which St. Mary's County may file its annual financial report.]</p>
SB 994, Ch. 642 ART 19 § 37(a)(1)	each County, Municipal Corporation, & Taxing District Queen Anne's County Commissioners	<p>Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each county, municipal corporation, and taxing district in the State shall by the first day of November after the close of the fiscal year file with the Department of Legislative Services its financial report covering the full period of that fiscal year.</p> <p>(2) (i) Each county, municipal corporation, or taxing district with a population of more than 400,000 may by the first day of January after the close of the fiscal year file with the Department of Legislative Services its financial report covering the full period of that fiscal year. ...</p> <p>(iv) Queen Anne's County may by the first day of January after the close of the fiscal year file with the Department of Legislative Services its financial report covering the full period of that fiscal year.</p> <p>[Alters the date by which Queen Anne's County may file its annual financial report for the fiscal year with the Department of Legislative Services.]</p>

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SB 71, Ch. 22 SF § 14-505(e)	Governor's Office of Minority Affairs	On or before December 31 of each year, the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs shall submit to the Board of Public Works and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Legislative Policy Committee a report summarizing the information the Office receives under subsection (b) of this section. [Repeals termination date.]
SB 849, Ch. 619 SF § 14-305(b)	Governor's Office of Minority Affairs	(1) On or before December 31 of each year, the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs shall submit to the Board of Public Works and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Legislative Policy Committee a report summarizing the information the Office receives under subsection (a) of this section. (2) This report may be prepared in conjunction with the annual report required under § 9-306 of the State Government Article. [Reenactment.]
HB 67, Ch. 119 IN § 14-512(f)	Health Insurance Plan Board of Directors	On or before January 1 of each year, the Board [of the Maryland Health Insurance Plan], in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, shall report to the General Assembly on: (1) the number of individuals on the waiting list for the [Senior Prescription Drug Assistance] Program; and (2) to the extent that the Board is able to collect the information: (i) the number of enrollees with out-of-pocket prescription drug costs that exceed \$2,250, broken down for each fiscal quarter; and (ii) the total annual out-of-pocket prescription drug costs for enrollees. [Extends sunset date to 2012.]
HB 345, Ch. 405 SG § 9-1007(d)	Maryland State Archives	The State Archivist shall submit to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of this article, to the General Assembly an annual report on the activities of the Archives and the Commission during the preceding fiscal year. [Changes code cite from (c) to (d).]
HB 801, Ch. 437 PUC § 7-306(i)	Public Service Commission	On or before February 1 of each year, the [Public Service] Commission shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the status of the net metering program under this section, including: (1) the amount of capacity of electric generating facilities owned and operated by eligible customer-generators in the State by type of energy resource; (2) based on the need to encourage a diversification of the state's energy resource mix to ensure reliability, whether the rated generating capacity limit in subsection (d) of this section should be altered; and (3) other pertinent information. [Reenacted.]

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SB 277, Ch. 494(2) PUC § 7-211(k)	Public Service Commission	<p>(a) The Public Service Commission shall include, in the report required under § 7-211(k) of the Public Utility Companies Article due on March 1, 2012, ..., the effect of this [Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Solar Energy] Act on the State’s anticipated compliance with per capita peak demand and per capita electricity consumption targets under § 7-211 of the Public Utility Companies Article.</p> <p>(b) The Commission also shall include in those reports:</p> <p>(1) the effects, if any, of deploying of solar electricity generating equipment in compliance with the solar Tier 1 renewable energy portfolio standard and the use of alternative compliance fees to support Tier 1 projects in the State; and</p> <p>(2) recommendations for alterations, if any, that the Commission and the Maryland Energy Administration consider desirable to the solar Tier 1 percentage requirements of the renewable energy portfolio standard in § 7-703(b) of the Public Utility Companies Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.</p> <p>[1 of 2 reports. Adds to existing report creating 2 one time reporting requirements.]</p>
SB 277, Ch. 494(2) PUC § 7-211(k)	Public Service Commission	<p>(a) The Public Service Commission shall include, in the report required under § 7-211(k) of the Public Utility Companies Article due on ... March 1, 2015, the effect of this [Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – Solar Energy] Act on the State’s anticipated compliance with per capita peak demand and per capita electricity consumption targets under § 7-211 of the Public Utility Companies Article.</p> <p>(b) The Commission also shall include in those reports:</p> <p>(1) the effects, if any, of deploying of solar electricity generating equipment in compliance with the solar Tier 1 renewable energy portfolio standard and the use of alternative compliance fees to support Tier 1 projects in the State; and</p> <p>(2) recommendations for alterations, if any, that the Commission and the Maryland Energy Administration consider desirable to the solar Tier 1 percentage requirements of the renewable energy portfolio standard in § 7-703(b) of the Public Utility Companies Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.</p> <p>[2 of 2 reports. Adds to existing report creating 2 one time reporting requirements.]</p>
SB 355, Ch. 438 PUC § 7-306(i)	Public Service Commission	<p>On or before February 1 of each year, the [Public Service] Commission shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the status of the net metering program under this section, including:</p> <p>(1) the amount of capacity of electric generating facilities owned and operated by eligible customer-generators in the State by type of energy resource;</p> <p>(2) based on the need to encourage a diversification of the state’s energy resource mix to ensure reliability, whether the rated generating capacity limit in subsection (d) of this section should be altered; and</p> <p>(3) other pertinent information.</p> <p>[Reenactment.]</p>

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<p>SB 470, Ch. 72 SPP § 22-406(n)</p>	<p>State Department of Education State Superintendent of Schools</p>	<p>On or before October 1 of each year, the State Superintendent of Schools shall submit a report for the previous school year, to the Joint Committee on Pensions, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, that provides:</p> <p>(1) the number of rehired retirees under subsection (c)(4)(v) and (vi) and (8) of this section;</p> <p>(2)(i) the school and school system where each retiree was rehired; and</p> <p>(ii) whether the school:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. was not making adequate yearly progress or was a school in need of improvement as defined under the Federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 and as implemented by the State Department of Education; 2. was receiving funds under title 1 of the Federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; or 3. has more than 50% of the students attending that school who are eligible for free and reduced-price meals established by the United States Department Of Agriculture; or 4. provided an alternative education program for adjudicated youths or students who have been expelled, suspended, or identified for suspension or expulsion from a public school; <p>(3) a copy of the annual staffing report generated by the State Superintendent of Schools in accordance with § 18-703(g)(1) of the Education Article certifying areas of critical shortage for the previous school year as evidenced by projected employment vacancies substantially exceeding projected qualified graduates;</p> <p>(4) the subject matter that each rehired retiree is was teaching;</p> <p>(5) the salary of each rehired retiree; and</p> <p>(6) the total number of years each retiree has been reemployed at the school where the retiree was rehired for the previous school year.</p> <p>(7) the percentage of student population composed of children in poverty that is required to be present in a school in that school system in order for that school to qualify as a Title 1 school.</p> <p>[DRAFTER’S NOTE: Error: Grammatical error in § 22–406(n)(7) of the State Personnel and Pensions Article. Occurred: Ch. 443, Acts of 2007.]</p>
<p>SB 74, Ch. 25 ED § 5-401(h)(2)</p>	<p>State Department of Education State Superintendent of Schools</p>	<p>The State Superintendent [of Schools] annually shall report the results of the budget review by December 31 to the Governor, the county governing body, and, subject to § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.</p> <p>[Reenactment.]</p>

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SB 470, Ch. 72 SPP § 23-407(n)	State Department of Education State Superintendent of Schools	<p>On or before October 1 of each year, the State Superintendent of Schools shall submit a report for the previous school year, to the Joint Committee on Pensions, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, that provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the number of rehired retirees under subsection (c)(4)(iv) and (v) and (8) of this section; (2)(i) the school and school system where each retiree was rehired; and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (ii) whether the school: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. was not making adequate yearly progress or was a school in need of improvement as defined under the Federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 and as implemented by the State Department of Education; 2. was receiving funds under Title 1 of the Federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; or 3. has more than 50% of the students attending that school who are eligible for free and reduced-price meals established by the United States Department of Agriculture; or 4. provided an alternative education program for adjudicated youths or students who have been expelled, suspended, or identified for suspension or expulsion from a public school; (3) a copy of the annual staffing report generated by the State Superintendent of schools in accordance with § 18-703(g)(1) of the Education Article area certifying areas of critical shortage for the previous school year as evidenced by projected employment vacancies substantially exceeding projected qualified graduates; (4) the subject matter that each rehired retiree was teaching; (5) the salary of each rehired retiree; (6) the total number of years each retiree has been reemployed at the school where the retiree was rehired for the previous school year; and (7) the percentage of student population composed of children in poverty that is required to be present in a school in that school system in order for that school to qualify as a Title 1 school. <p>[DRAFTER'S NOTE: Error: Grammatical error in § 23-407(n)(7) of the State Personnel and Pensions Article. Occurred: Ch. 443, Acts of 2007.]</p>
SB 793, Ch. 614 SPP § 21-123(g)(2)(ii)	State Retirement & Pension System of Maryland	<p>On or before October 1 of each year, the [State Retirement and Pension System of Maryland] Board of Trustees shall submit a report in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article to the Board of Public Works, the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the Joint Committee on Pensions that provides a list of all sales or purchases of directly held real estate approved by the Board of Trustees for the immediately preceding fiscal year.</p> <p>[Changes code site from (f) to (g).]</p>
SB 469, Ch. 71 SPP § 21-104(e)(3)(iii)	State Retirement Agency	<p>The State Retirement Agency shall submit a trustee attendance report to the Department of Legislative Services by June 30 and December 31 of each year.</p> <p>[DRAFTER'S NOTE: Error: Purpose paragraph of bill being cured failed to accurately describe the changes made by the bill. Occurred: Chapter 674 (House Bill 446) of the Acts of 2009.]</p>

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SB 470, Ch. 72	That each local jurisdiction that enforces speed limit laws as authorized under this [Vehicle Laws - Speed Monitoring Systems - Statewide Authorization and Use in Highway Work Zones] Act	SB 277/Ch. 500, Sec. 6, 2009 as amended by SB 470/Ch. 72, 2010 to be Sec. 7: That each local jurisdiction that enforces speed limit laws as authorized under this [Vehicle Laws - Speed Monitoring Systems - Statewide Authorization and Use in Highway Work Zones] Act shall report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2013, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the effectiveness of speed monitoring systems in the jurisdiction. [DRAFTER’S NOTE: Error: Erroneous numbering in Sections 3 through 9 of Ch. 500, Acts of 2009. Occurred: Ch. 500, Acts of 2009.]
HB 531, Ch. 683	Treasurer's Office Departments of; Budget & Management, General Services, Health & Mental Hygiene, Human Resources, Juvenile Services, Education and Office of Minority Affairs	SB 686/Ch. 438, 2008 and HB 527/Ch. 439, 2008 as amended by HB 531/Ch. 683, 2010: (i) The Task Force [to Study the Procurement of Health , Education, and Social Services by State Agencies] shall report its preliminary findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before November 30, 2010. Staffing Statement: (e) The departments represented on the Task Force shall provide staff for the Task Force. (Treasurer's Office, Departments of; Budget & Management, General Services, Health & Mental Hygiene, Human Resources, Juvenile Services, Education and Office of Minority Affairs) [Renames task force and creates new reporting requirements. 1 of 2 Reports.]
HB 531, Ch. 683	Treasurer's Office Departments of; Budget & Management, General Services, Health & Mental Hygiene, Human Resources, Juvenile Services, Education and Office of Minority Affairs	SB 686/Ch. 438, 2008 and HB 527/Ch. 439, 2008 as amended by HB 531/Ch. 683, 2010: (j) The Task Force [to Study the Procurement of Health , Education, and Social Services by State Agencies] shall report its final findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before November 30, 2011. Staffing Statement: (e) The departments represented on the Task Force shall provide staff for the Task Force. (Treasurer's Office, Departments of; Budget & Management, General Services, Health & Mental Hygiene, Human Resources, Juvenile Services, Education and Office of Minority Affairs) [Renames task force and creates new reporting requirements. 2 of 2 Reports.]
SB 469, Ch. 71 ART 29 § 6-113(e)(7)	Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission	The WSSC shall submit a report at the end of each fiscal year to the House and Senate Delegations of both counties and to the County Councils. The report shall state the number of requests made by developers under this subsection including the number of acceptances and rejections by the WSSC and the justification for any rejections. [DRAFTER’S NOTE: Error: Purpose paragraph of bill being cured failed to accurately describe the changes made by the bill. Occurred: Chapter 441 (House Bill 1139) of the Acts of 2009.]

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Citation	Agency	Topic
SB 470, Ch. 72	Comptroller	<p>That, on or before ... December 1, 2011, the Comptroller shall report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on the implementation of the imposition of the sales and use tax on the sale of computer services, as provided for under this Act, and the impact on sales and use tax revenues as a result of the imposition of the sales and use tax on the sale of computer services.</p> <p>[Repeals this reporting requirement.</p> <p>DRAFTER’S NOTE:</p> <p>Error: Obsolete section in Chapter 3 of the Acts of the 2007 Special Session.</p> <p>Occurred: As a result of Ch. 10, Acts of 2008, which repealed the imposition of the sales and use tax on the sale of computer services.]</p>
SB 336, Ch. 543 TG § 10-110(g)	Comptroller Department of Budget and Management Maryland Business Tax Reform Commission	<p>On or before December 15, 2011, the [Maryland Business Tax Reform] Commission shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: TG § 10-110(d) the Comptroller and the Department of Budget and Management shall provide staff support to the Commission.</p> <p>[Repeals reporting requirement.]</p>
SB 55, Ch. 15 EC § 11-207(b)	Department of Business & Economic Development Maryland Military Installation Council	<p>On or before December 1, 2011, the [Maryland Military Installation] Council shall issue a final report of the Council to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: Economic Development § 11-205 The Department [of Business and Economic Development] shall provide staff support to the Council.</p> <p>[Repeals reporting requirement.]</p>
SB 52, Ch. 207 HU § 7-140	Department of Disabilities Personal Assistance Services Advisory Committee	<p>The [Personal Assistance] Advisory Committee shall report its recommendations on personal care assistance services to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of this Article, the General Assembly on or before October 1 of each year.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: (a) There is a Personal Assistance Services Advisory Committee in the Department's Office of Personal Assistance Services.</p> <p>(f) The Office of Personal Assistance Services shall provide staff to the Advisory Committee.</p> <p>[Repeals reporting requirement.]</p>

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SB 164, Ch. 241 SG § 2-10A-09(g)	Department of Legislative Services Advisory Committee on the Naming of State Facilities, Roads, and Bridges	<p>(1) In accordance with § 2-1246 of this title, the [Advisory] Committee [on the Naming of State Facilities, Roads, and Bridges] shall submit an annual report to the General Assembly on or before January 1 of each year.</p> <p>(2) The report shall include the recommendations of the Committee with regard to any matter considered by the Committee under subsection (f) of this section.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: (e) the Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff assistance to the [Advisory] Committee [on the Naming of State Facilities, Roads, and Bridges]. [Repeals this Committee.]</p>
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 TR § 4-205(c)(3)(iii)	Department of Transportation Maryland Transportation Authority	<p>(iii) not less than 45 days before entering into any public-private partnership arrangement, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Authority shall provide, to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the House Committee on Ways and Means, and the House Appropriations Committee, for review and comment, and to the Department of Legislative Services, a description of the proposed lease agreement and a financing plan, including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The length of the proposed lease; 2. The scope of any toll-setting authority to be granted to the private entity; 3. The scope of payments to the authority from the proposed public-private partnership arrangement; 4. A cost-benefit analysis of the proposed public-private partnership arrangement; and 5. Requirements pertaining to the ongoing operation and maintenance of the facility and contract oversight. <p>[Repeals reporting requirement.]</p>
SB 1031, Ch. 646	Maryland Insurance Administration	<p>SB 868/Ch. 486, Sec. 3, 2004 as amended by SB 333/Ch. 301, 2005: That, on or before December 15, 2004 and annually thereafter, the Maryland Insurance Administration shall report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, for the 12-month period following the date the preceding report is provided, on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the number of complaints filed with the Administration relating to the denial of coverage for the surgical treatment of morbid obesity; (2) the health insurance carrier that denied coverage and the reason given for the denial; and (3) whether the Administration upheld or reversed the denial of coverage and the basis of the decision. <p>[Repeals reporting requirement.]</p>

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SB 76, Ch. 27 ED § 7-304(f)(2)	State Department of Education Division of Student and School Services	<p>(f)(1) At the end of each fiscal year, each participating local education agency shall submit a written statement to the State Department of Education that describes:</p> <p>(i) The assessment, the educational problems determined, the overall program developed with goals and procedures, and a yearly evaluation of the success of the program as provided under the provisions of this section; and</p> <p>...</p> <p>(2) On or before December 1 of each year, the State Department of Education shall submit a summary of the reports required under this subsection to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly.</p> <p>[Repeals reporting requirement.]</p>

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SB 723, Ch. 598 HB 1093, Ch. 599	A clinically integrated organization that enters into an agreement authorized under § 15–1802 of the Insurance Article	(a)(1) A clinically integrated organization that enters into an agreement authorized under § 15–1802 of the Insurance Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, within 3 years after the date the agreement takes effect, shall submit an evaluation of its clinical integration program to the Maryland Health Care Commission. (2) Before submitting the evaluation required under this subsection, the clinically integrated organization shall discuss the parameters of the evaluation and its analytical methods with the Commission. (b) On receipt of the evaluation required under subsection (a) of this section, the Maryland Health Care Commission shall prepare a summary of the evaluation, including any recommendations for legislative action, and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, submit the summary to the House Health and Government Operations Committee and the Senate Finance Committee.
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 SF § 10A-101(e)	A unit of State Government that provides conduit financing for a Public–Private Partnership	By January 1 of each year, a unit of State Government that provides conduit financing for a Public–Private Partnership shall submit to the Budget Committees, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, a report concerning each Public–Private Partnership for which the unit is providing conduit financing.
HB 1160, Ch. 188(3)	Administrative Office of the Courts Department of Human Resources Department of Juvenile Services Department of Education	That on or before December 31, 2010, the Administrative Office of the Courts, the Department of Human Resources, the Department of Juvenile Services, and the State Department of Education, shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly, the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee, the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, the House Judiciary Committee, and the House Committee on Ways and Means regarding: (1) the process for notifying school officials under § 3–819 and § 3–8A–19 of the Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article; (2) how often school officials are actually notified under these statutes; and (3) recommendations, if any, to improve this process and better serve these students.
SB 161, Ch. 237 HB 178, Ch. 238 ED § 7-311(f)	Anne Arundel County Board of Education	Before the end of the 2011 Session of the General Assembly, the County Board [of Education] shall present a report, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, to the Anne Arundel County Delegation on the approved office discipline referral policy in public schools In Anne Arundel County.
HB 1145, Ch. 201(2)	Attorney General	That, on or before December 1, 2010, the Attorney General shall, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, submit to the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee and the House Judiciary Committee a report detailing a recommended plan for the regulation of sales of Salvia divinorum and Salvinorin A, including requirements for sellers and the placement of products in stores.
SB 17, Ch. 200(2)	Attorney General	That, on or before December 1, 2010, the Attorney General shall, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, submit to the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee and the House Judiciary Committee a report detailing a recommended plan for the regulation of sales of Salvia divinorum and Salvinorin A, including requirements for sellers and the placement of products in stores.

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SB 130, Ch. 229 HB 250, Ch. 230 SF § 14-303(a)(1)(iii)	Board of Public Works	The Board [of Public Works] shall keep a record of the aggregate number and the identity of Minority Business Enterprises that receive certification under the process established by the Board under subsection (b)(1) of this section and submit a copy of the record to the General Assembly on or before October 1 of each year, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article. [Creates new reporting requirement.]
SB 171, Ch. 507 HB 359, Ch. 508 SF § 14-604(a)(3)	Board of Public Works	(a) the Board [of Public Works] shall: ... (3) on or before December 1 of each year, report to the Legislative Policy Committee on: (i) the number and amount of contracts awarded to veteran-owned small business enterprises under this subtitle; and (ii) the effectiveness of the program under this subtitle.
SB 311, Ch. 275(2) HB 943, Ch. 276(2) NR § 8-1924	Chesapeake Bay Trust	(a) on or before October 1 of each year, the Trust, in consultation with the Corps Board shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly. (b) the report shall include a complete operating and financial statement covering the operations of the Corps Board and a summary of the activities of the Corps Board during the preceding fiscal year. Staffing Statement: NR § 8-1916 (b) the [Chesapeake Bay] Trust shall provide staff support for the Corps Board.
SB 311, Ch. 275(4) HB 943, Ch. 276(4)	Chesapeake Bay Trust	That the Chesapeake Bay Trust, in consultation with the Advisory Board of the Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program, shall: (a) develop a plan for the recruitment of volunteers to participate in the Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program that incorporates direct volunteer recruitment with focus on young individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds, as well as recruitment through qualified organizations; (b) develop a plan to centrally administer volunteer stipend payments; (c) develop a plan that establishes mechanisms that are intended to assist in team building among volunteer participants and increase the understanding and sense of commitment to the overall Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program by volunteer participants, including measures that uniformly identify Chesapeake Conservation Corps Program volunteer participants to the public while a project is carried out; and (d) provide a draft of the plans required under this section to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Environmental Matters Committee for review and comment at least 30 days prior to the adoption and implementation of the plans by the Chesapeake Bay Trust. Staffing Statement: NR § 8-1916 (b) the [Chesapeake Bay] Trust shall provide staff support for the Corps Board.

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SB 396, Ch. 554	Comptroller of the Treasury	<p>That, on or before October 1, 2013, the Comptroller shall submit a report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, and the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the number of approved applications for Maryland estate tax payment deferral; (2) the number of agricultural acres in which a Maryland estate tax payment deferral was approved under the payment deferral pilot program; (3) the number of qualified agricultural properties approved for Maryland estate tax payment deferral that apply to preserve agricultural land under the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation; (4) the aggregate value of Maryland estate tax payment deferrals approved under the payment deferral pilot program; (5) the aggregate amount of Maryland estate taxes paid due to exceeding the maximum amount eligible for payment deferral under the payment deferral pilot program; and (6) recommendations for implementing a Maryland estate tax payment deferral program in the State.
SB 858, Ch. 355(3)	Comptroller of the Treasury	<p>(a) On or before December 31, 2010, the Comptroller shall submit a report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the viability and efficacy of instituting in Maryland the policy of permitting direct shipment of wine to consumers in the State.</p> <p>(b) The report shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) an evaluation of the best practices used by the 37 states and the District of Columbia that allow direct wine shipment; (2) an evaluation of related fiscal, tax, and other public policy and regulatory issues; and (3) a determination regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the best practices for preventing access by underage drinkers to wine that is shipped directly to consumers; (ii) any significant increase or decrease in access to or demand for wine by underage drinkers that has been documented as the result of direct wine shipment laws; (iii) the best practices for collecting relevant tax revenues; (iv) the benefits and costs to consumers; and (v) the effect of direct wine shipment laws on in–state alcoholic beverages licensees and other local businesses.
SB 858, Ch. 355(4)	Comptroller of the Treasury	<p>That, on or before December 1, 2012, the Comptroller shall report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the impact that the limitation of special event permits specified in § 2–101(x) of Article 2B of the Code, as enacted by Section 1 of this [Maryland Winery Modernization] Act, has had on the growth of the Maryland wine industry.</p>
HB 635, Ch. 688 SPP § 27-406(c)	Court of Appeals, Chief Judge	<p>On or before September 1 of each year, the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals shall submit a report in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article to the Joint Committee on Pensions that provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the number of rehired retirees under subsection (a) of this section; (2) the employer rehiring a retiree under subsection (a) of this section; (3) the annual salary of each rehired retiree at the time of retirement; and (4) the current annual salary of each rehired retiree.

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HB 536, Ch. 155 HU § 10-909	Department of Aging Long-Term Care Ombudsman	<p>The State Long-Term Care Ombudsman shall submit an annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the activities of the Program that includes recommendations of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman for improving services for residents.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: HU § 10-902. (a) There is a Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program in the Department [of Aging].</p>
SB 3, Ch. 390(2) HB 89, Ch. 389(2)	Department of Agriculture Aquaculture Coordinating Council	<p>That, on or before October 1, 2013, the Aquaculture Coordinating Council shall report to the Department of the Environment and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The status of commercial aquaculture in the State; (2) The fiscal impact of the fee exemption established under this Act; <p>and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (3) Any other findings and recommendations related to the implementation of this Act. <p>Staffing Statement: Agriculture Article § 2-106(a)The following positions and units are included within the Department: ...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (14) The Aquaculture Coordinating Council.
HB 795, Ch. 163	Department of Business & Economic Development Maryland Technology Development Corporation Task Force to Study Nanobiotechnology	<p>(h) On or before January 1, 2011, the Task Force [to Study Nanobiotechnology] shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: The Department of Business and Economic Development and the Maryland Technology Development Corporation shall provide staff for the Task Force.</p>
HB 1160, Ch. 188 ED § 7-424.2(k)	Department of Education	<p>On or before January 1, 2011, and each year thereafter, the Department [of Education] shall submit a report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the implementation of State and local policies and regulations to address gangs, gang activity, and similar destructive or illegal group behavior described in this section.</p>

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HB 465, Ch. 496(4)	Department of Education	<p>(a) On or before December 31 of each year through 2013, the Early Learning Programs Section of the Maryland State Department of Education shall report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the status of the Maryland Child Care Subsidy Program as it relates to family child care providers.</p> <p>(b) The report shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the number of child care providers and children participating in the Maryland Child Care Subsidy Program; (2) the number of family child care providers who join the collective bargaining unit established under this Act and the number of children served by each of the providers; (3) the number of family child care providers who have used the fund required to be established under § 5-595.3(e) of the Family Law Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, and the terms of eligibility for payments from the fund; (4) recommendations on how to safeguard the funds in the fund required to be established under § 5-595.3(e) of the Family Law Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, in the event that management of the fund is transferred or the fund is terminated; and (5) an analysis of any positive or negative trends resulting from the implementation of this Act.
SB 141, Ch. 484(31)	Department of Education	<p>(a) The SEED School of Maryland and the Maryland State Department of Education shall negotiate a modification to their contract to extend from five to six years the time by which the SEED School reaches the State-supported maximum of 400 students, as authorized in § 8-710 of the Education Article and to limit the total student population at the SEED School to less than 320 students in the fall of 2011 and to less than 400 students in the fall of 2012, in a manner so that the required appropriation in the State budget for support of the school is less than \$8,000,000 in fiscal year 2012 and less than \$10,000,000 in fiscal year 2013.</p> <p>(b) On or before October 1, 2010, the SEED School and the Department shall report on the renegotiated contract and provide a copy of the proposed new contract to the budget committees of the General Assembly. The budget committees shall have 45 days from the date of receipt of the report to review and comment on the proposed new contract before it is executed.</p>
SB 557, Ch. 321(2)	Department of Education	<p>That on or before October 1, 2011, the State Department of Education shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee regarding the review [and revise of the Alternate Maryland School Assessment (ALT-MSA)] conducted under Section 1 of this Act.</p>

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SB 467, Ch. 305 HB 59, Ch. 306	Department of Education Task Force to Explore the Incorporation of the Principles of Universal Design for Learning into the Education Systems in Maryland	(g) On or before December 31, 2010, the Task Force [to Incorporate the Principles of Universal Design for Learning into the Policies, Practices, and Curriculum of the Education Systems in Maryland] shall report its findings and recommendations to the State Board of Education and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the Budget and Taxation Committee and the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Health and Government Operations Committee. Staffing Statement: (d) The State Department of Education shall provide staff for the Task Force.
SB 693, Ch. 593 HB 1164, Ch. 594 SF § 14-409(b)(2)	Department of General Services	(1) the Department of General Services shall study the use of compost as a fertilizer on State property that is under the operation of the Department of General Services to develop a baseline estimate of the share of landscaped area fertilized by compost. (2) the Department of General Services shall report the findings of the study required under paragraph (1) of this subsection to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on or before December 1, 2010, and shall make the report available to the public. [Creates a one time report in code.]
SB 2, Ch. 513 HB 222, Ch. 514	Department of General Services Department of Transportation Task Force on the Minority Business Enterprise Program and Equity Investment Capital	On or before December 1, 2010, the Task Force [on the Minority Business Enterprise Program and Equity Investment Capital] shall report its recommendations and draft legislation to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly. Staffing Statement: (d) The Department of General Services and the Department of Transportation shall provide staff for the Task Force.
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 SF § 10A-101(c)(d)(1)	Department of General Services Department of Transportation University System of Maryland Morgan State University St. Mary’s College of Maryland Baltimore City Community College	Not less than 45 days before issuing a public notice of solicitation for a Public–Private Partnership, a reporting agency shall submit to the State Treasurer and the Budget Committees, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, a report concerning the proposed Public-Private Partnership. Staffing Statement: SF § 10A-101(a)(6) “reporting agency” means: (i) the Department of General Services; (ii) the Maryland Department of Transportation; (iii) the University System of Maryland; (iv) Morgan State University; (v) St. Mary’s College of Maryland; and (vi) the Baltimore City Community College. (b) the requirements of this title do not apply to the Maryland Transportation Authority or to a public–private partnership proposed or entered into by the Maryland Transportation Authority.

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SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 SF § 10A-101(c)(d)(2)	Department of General Services Department of Transportation University System of Maryland Morgan State University St. Mary’s College of Maryland Baltimore City Community College	By January 1 of each year, each reporting agency shall submit to the Budget Committees, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, a report concerning each Public–Private Partnership under consideration at that time by the reporting agency that has not been reviewed or approved previously by the General Assembly. Staffing Statement: SF § 10A-101(a)(6) “reporting agency” means: (i) the Department of General Services; (ii) the Maryland Department of Transportation; (iii) the University System of Maryland; (iv) Morgan State University; (v) St. Mary’s College of Maryland; and (vi) the Baltimore City Community College. (b) the requirements of this title do not apply to the Maryland Transportation Authority or to a public–private partnership proposed or entered into by the Maryland Transportation Authority.
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 SF § 10A-101(c)(d)(3)	Department of General Services Department of Transportation University System of Maryland Morgan State University St. Mary’s College of Maryland Baltimore City Community College	By January 1 of each year, each reporting agency shall submit to the Budget Committees, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, a status report concerning each existing Public–Private Partnership in which the reporting agency is involved. Staffing Statement: SF § 10A-101(a)(6) “reporting agency” means: (i) the Department of General Services; (ii) the Maryland Department of Transportation; (iii) the University System of Maryland; (iv) Morgan State University; (v) St. Mary’s College of Maryland; and (vi) the Baltimore City Community College. (b) the requirements of this title do not apply to the Maryland Transportation Authority or to a public–private partnership proposed or entered into by the Maryland Transportation Authority.
HB 1302, Ch. 733(2)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene	That, on or before December 31, 2013, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall evaluate the use, effectiveness, and impact of this [Health Occupations - Dental Hygienists - Practice in Long-Term Care Facilities] Act, and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, submit a report of its findings to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.

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HB 181, Ch. 394	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene	<p>(a) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with the Department of the Environment, shall study the feasibility of establishing a biomonitoring program in the State to monitor the presence and concentration of designated chemicals in residents of Maryland.</p> <p>(b) In conducting the study required under subsection (a) of this section, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) examine biomonitoring studies conducted by the federal government, in other states, and in other countries; (2) examine legislative efforts in other states to establish biomonitoring programs; (3) consider studies on the effectiveness of biomonitoring programs and the impact of those programs on health outcomes and health care costs; (4) make recommendations regarding the chemicals that would be most beneficial to include in a biomonitoring program in this State; and (5) make recommendations on the structure of a biomonitoring program for the State, if the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene finds that a biomonitoring program would be feasible. <p>(c) On or before June 30, 2011, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the study required under subsection (a) of this section.</p>
SB 291, Ch. 533 HB 114, Ch. 534 HO § 1-608(c)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene	<p>On or before October 1, 2012, the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene shall, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on the goals for the timeliness of complaint resolution established under this section.</p>
SB 325, Ch. 542(2)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene	<p>That the State Board of Dental Examiners shall report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on or before October 1, 2011, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the implementation of recommendations of the Department of Legislative Services contained in the sunset evaluation report dated October 2009.</p>
SB 429, Ch. 144 HB 278, Ch. 143	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene	<p>(b) at least 90 days prior to making any change to medical eligibility for program long-term care services, including nursing facility services, home- and community-based waiver services, and other services that require a nursing facility level of care, the Department [of Health and Mental Hygiene] shall provide a report to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article; and (2) the Medicaid Advisory Committee. <p>(c) the report required under subsection (b) of this section shall include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the details of the intended change in medical eligibility; (2) a description of how the intended change will affect current medical eligibility; (3) the intended effective date of the change; and (4) whether the change will be pursued through Departmental policy, by regulation, or by statute. <p>(d) the Department shall discuss any report submitted to the Medicaid Advisory Committee under subsection (b) of this section at a meeting of the Medicaid Advisory Committee.</p>

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SB 633, Ch. 497(2) HB 1034, Ch. 498(2)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene	<p>That the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall:</p> <p>(a)(1) conduct a study, in consultation with community services stakeholders, including the Maryland Association of Community Services and the Community Behavioral Health Association of Maryland, for purposes of recommending a plan to develop, and a timeline to implement, a rate-setting methodology for community developmental disabilities and mental health services providers that would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) promote the fiscally sound and efficient operation of community services providers; and (ii) promote the highest level of quality of care for individuals with developmental disabilities and mental illness; <p>(2) include in the study an analysis of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the operating costs of community services providers; (ii) the ability of community services providers to attract and retain a high quality work force; (iii) any appropriate and feasible incentives for high quality performance of community services providers; (iv) any capital infrastructure needs of community services providers; (v) transportation costs of community services providers; (vi) the appropriate future role of the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission and other entities involved in State rate-setting processes; and (vii) any other issues related to the efficient and effective provision of community services; and <p>(b)(1) on or before December 1, 2012, report its preliminary findings and recommendations to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article; and</p> <p>(2) on or before January 1, 2013, report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article.</p>
HB 219, Ch. 661 SG § 9-2805(3)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration	<p>The [State Drug and Alcohol Abuse] Council shall: ...</p> <p>(3) submit to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on or before August 1 of each year the 2-year plan and all updates and include recommendations for the coordination and collaboration among State agencies in the funding of drug and alcohol abuse prevention, intervention, and treatment services, promising practices and programs, and emerging needs for State substance abuse prevention, intervention, and treatment services.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: SG § 9-2806: The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Administration shall provide staff for the Council.</p>
SB 291, Ch. 533(2) HB 114, Ch. 534(2)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene each health occupations board	<p>That, on or before December 31, 2011, each health occupations board shall report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) its success in meeting the goals and requirements of this Act; and (2) ways in which separation of the board's disciplinary functions can be further achieved.

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SB 291, Ch. 533(3) HB 114, Ch. 534(3)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene each health occupations board	That, on or before December 31, 2010, the health occupations boards in collaboration with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall jointly: (1) study whether under certain circumstances it may be appropriate to expunge disciplinary proceedings from a licensee’s file after a specified period of time; and (2) report the findings of the study to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article.
SB 593, Ch. 505(3) HB 699, Ch. 506(3)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Health Services Cost Review Commission	That, on or before October 1, 2010, the Health Services Cost Review Commission shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the rates that the Commission has established for freestanding medical facility pilot projects under this [Health Facilities - Freestanding Medical Facilities - Rates] Act and the methodology for establishing those rates.
SB 314, Ch. 537(3)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Maryland Health Care Commission	(a) The Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with the Maryland Insurance Administration and the Office of the Attorney General, shall study: (1) the benefits and costs associated with the direct reimbursement of nonparticipating providers by health insurance carriers under a valid assignment of benefits; (2) the impact of enacting a cap on balance billing for nonpreferred, on-call physicians and hospital-based physicians; (3) the impact on consumers of prohibiting health insurance carriers from refusing to accept a valid assignment of benefits; and (4) the impact of requiring direct reimbursement of nonparticipating providers by health insurance carriers on a health insurance carrier’s ability to maintain an adequate number of primary and specialty providers in their networks, including the impact on billed charges, allowed charges, and patient responsibility for remaining charges, by specialty. (b) On or before January 1, 2011, the Maryland Health Care Commission shall determine baseline parameters to conduct the study required under subsection (a) of this section. (c)(1) On or before July 1, 2012, the Maryland Health Care Commission shall submit an interim report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on its findings under this section. [1 of 2 reports.]

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SB 314, Ch. 537(3)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Maryland Health Care Commission	<p>(a) The Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with the Maryland Insurance Administration and the Office of the Attorney General, shall study:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the benefits and costs associated with the direct reimbursement of nonparticipating providers by health insurance carriers under a valid assignment of benefits; (2) the impact of enacting a cap on balance billing for nonpreferred, on-call physicians and hospital-based physicians; (3) the impact on consumers of prohibiting health insurance carriers from refusing to accept a valid assignment of benefits; and (4) the impact of requiring direct reimbursement of nonparticipating providers by health insurance carriers on a health insurance carrier's ability to maintain an adequate number of primary and specialty providers in their networks, including the impact on billed charges, allowed charges, and patient responsibility for remaining charges, by specialty. <p>(c) ...</p> <p>(2) On or before October 1, 2014, the Maryland Health Care Commission shall submit a final report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on its findings under this section.</p> <p>[2 of 2 reports.]</p>
SB 593, Ch. 505(4) HB 699, Ch. 506(4)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Maryland Health Care Commission	<p>(a)(1) The Maryland Health Care Commission, in consultation with the Health Services Cost Review Commission, shall conduct a study of the effect of the rates established for freestanding medical facility pilot projects by the Health Services Cost Review Commission under § 19-211(c) of the Health – General Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.</p> <p>(2) The study shall review the effect of the rates for a period of 2 full years after the rates become effective.</p> <p>(3) On or before December 31, 2014, the Maryland Health Care Commission shall report the results of its study, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.</p>
SB 855, Ch. 5 HB 929, Ch. 6 IN § 19-1A-05(b)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Maryland Health Care Commission	<p>On or before December 1, 2014, the Commission shall report its findings, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee.</p>
HB 135, Ch. 133(2)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners	<p>That, on or before October 1, 2010, the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, regarding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Financial activities that contributed to the Board's fiscal year 2009 fund balance; and (2) Measures implemented during fiscal year 2010 to decrease the Board's fund balance and the impact of those measures.

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HB 135, Ch. 133(3)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners	That, on or before October 1, 2011, the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, regarding the Board’s progress in: (1) Maintaining an appropriate fund balance; (2) Meeting Managing for Results goals for complaint resolution; and (3) Implementing formal data retrieval and analysis procedures.
SB 145, Ch. 236(2)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene State Board of Examiners in Optometry	That, on or before October 1, 2011, the State Board of Examiners in Optometry shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the actions the Board has taken to: (1) Monitor the decline in new licenses issued and the trends in the renewal of previously issued licenses and include any recommendations the Board has made to address the Board’s findings; (2) Review future revenue and expenditure trends to determine if a fee increase may be necessary; and (3) Implement a biennial renewal cycle to maintain a more consistent fund balance.
SB 146, Ch. 40(2)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners	That on or before October 1, 2011, the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, in conjunction with the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on: (1) the Board’s fund balance, including financial information for fiscal years 2010 and 2011 and how the Board is balancing its finances to ensure a sufficient fund balance; (2) the Board’s findings and activities related to the practice of physical therapy by chiropractors; (3) the status of the Board’s review of its authority to penalize physical therapy practice owners or operators who are not licensed by the Board, including any actions taken by the Board or recommendations for statutory changes; (4) the Board’s analysis of delays in its complaint resolution process and steps that could be taken to accelerate the process; and (5) options or actions taken by the Board or the Department relative to office configurations to enhance the ability of the health occupations boards to maintain confidentiality.
SB 478, Ch. 567	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Department of Juvenile Services Department of Human Resources	(a) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Department of Juvenile Services, and Department of Human Resources, in conjunction with licensed providers of residential child care services, shall establish an interagency workgroup to: (1) develop a uniform reporting system to be used by any agency in the State that licenses or purchases care and services for children who are placed in residential facilities licensed by the State; ... (b) On or before September 1, 2011, the interagency workgroup established under subsection (a) of this section shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor’s Office for Children, the Governor, and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

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SB 279, Ch. 4 HG § 2-611(a)	Department of Health & Mental Hygiene Office of the Attorney General	Beginning October 1, 2010, the Inspector General of the Department and the Director of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit in the Office of the Attorney General shall report annually to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the following information for the previous fiscal year: (1) the number of civil actions filed under this subtitle; (2) the number of civil actions under this subtitle in which a judgment was entered, whether by settlement or adjudication; and (3) the number of claims made by the state based on alleged violations of § 2-602 (a) of this subtitle that are settled without the filing of a civil action under this subtitle.
HB 133, Ch. 131(2)	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation	That on or before October 1, 2010, the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, in conjunction with the State Board of Pilots, shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, detailing the steps that have been taken to: (1) determine whether additional requirements, such as a federal pilot license, should be a requirement for State pilot licensing; (2) improve the Department’s accounting of Board-related expenditures when staff are shared among several boards to ensure that the majority of Board-related costs, including personnel, are tracked; (3) increase the pilot-in-training application and licensing fees to reflect inflation and help offset Board expenses; (4) revise the draft levels associated with licenses in response to overall increases in vessel draft; (5) develop statutory, regulatory, or other provisions to ensure adequate review and evaluation of the association’s annual audits; and (6) improve the tracking of, and ensure compliance with, pilot continuing education requirements.
SB 106, Ch. 1 LE § 11-1106	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation	On or before April 1, 2011, the Department [of Labor, Licensing & Regulation] shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on the qualified employers certified as eligible for job creation and recovery tax credits, the number of qualified positions for which they were certified, the total amount of credits certified for each qualified employer, and the total amount of credits certified.

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SB 701, Ch. 338 HB 392, Ch. 339	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation Commissioner of Financial Regulation	<p>(a)(1) The Office of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation in the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, in consultation with the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General, shall conduct a study of the debt settlement services industry.</p> <p>(2) The study shall determine how the debt settlement services industry would best be regulated in the State, including the option of establishing a licensure requirement, and the fiscal impact of regulating the industry if licensure were required.</p> <p>(b) In conducting its study, the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation, in consultation with the Consumer Protection Division, shall establish a workgroup that is comprised of representatives of relevant stakeholders, including:</p> <p>(1) representatives of:</p> <p>(i) the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation;</p> <p>(ii) the Consumer Protection Division;</p> <p>(iii) the debt settlement services industry, including representatives of the various debt settlement services providers with differing models of debt settlement services practices;</p> <p>(iv) the Maryland Consumer Rights Coalition; and</p> <p>(v) the debt management industry; and</p> <p>(2) any other person that the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation or the Consumer Protection Division considers appropriate.</p> <p>(c) On or before December 1, 2010, the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Regulation, in consultation with the Consumer Protection Division, shall report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, its findings and recommendations, including draft legislation, if any, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee.</p>
SB 147, Ch. 41(2)	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation State Board for Professional Land Surveyors	That on or before October 1, 2011, the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on its plans to implement board member training.
HB 197, Ch. 395(2(a))	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation State Board of Barbers	<p>That the State Board of Barbers ... shall submit, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee:</p> <p>(a) on or before October 1, 2010, a report on the boards' plan to increase licensee compliance with the license photograph regulation as set forth in Recommendation 2 contained in the Sunset Review of the State Board of Barbers and the State Board of Cosmetologists published by the Department of Legislative Services in October 2009 and a copy of the boards' plan to improve the apprentice programs.</p>
HB 197, Ch. 395(2(b))	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation State Board of Barbers	<p>That the State Board of Barbers and the State Board of Cosmetologists shall submit, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee: ...</p> <p>(b) on or before October 1, 2011, an interim report on the boards' actions concerning the nonstatutory recommendations contained in the Sunset Review of the State Board of Barbers and the State Board of Cosmetologists published by the Department of Legislative Services in October 2009, including a description of the boards' progress on implementing the plans required under subsection (a) of this section.</p>

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HB 197, Ch. 395(2(a))	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation State Board of Cosmetologists	The State Board of Cosmetologists shall submit, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee: (a) on or before October 1, 2010, a report on the boards’ plan to increase licensee compliance with the license photograph regulation as set forth in Recommendation 2 contained in the Sunset Review of the State Board of Barbers and the State Board of Cosmetologists published by the Department of Legislative Services in October 2009 and a copy of the boards’ plan to improve the apprentice programs.
HB 197, Ch. 395(2(b))	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation State Board of Cosmetologists	That the State Board of Barbers and the State Board of Cosmetologists shall submit, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee: ... (b) on or before October 1, 2011, an interim report on the boards’ actions concerning the nonstatutory recommendations contained in the Sunset Review of the State Board of Barbers and the State Board of Cosmetologists published by the Department of Legislative Services in October 2009, including a description of the boards’ progress on implementing the plans required under subsection (a) of this section.
HB 134, Ch. 132(2)	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects	That on or before October 1, 2011, the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects, in conjunction with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on its consideration of: (1) instituting a continuing education requirement for landscape architects; and (2) allowing individuals who have a college degree in a field related to landscape architecture to sit for the licensing examination under the academic option as described in § 9–303 of the Business Occupations and Professions Article.
HB 136, Ch. 134(2)	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation State Board of Plumbing	That, on or before October 1, 2011, the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on: (1) the status of efforts to restructure the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing to better serve the day–to–day operations of the State Board of Plumbing, particularly related to the Board’s complaint backlog and other responsibilities; (2) the Board’s disposition of consumer complaints going back to at least fiscal year 2006, including the Board’s effectiveness in resolving complaints in a timely manner; (3) the imposition of fines on licensees or individuals who engage in malpractice, in particular the frequency and average amount of such fines and whether or not industry regulation and consumer protection would benefit from increasing fine amounts; (4) the size of the Board’s fiscal year 2010 surplus or funding gap following the restructuring of the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing and any changes to the Board’s staffing or fees necessary to address the Board’s fiscal status; and (5) whether the Board has been successful in filling the vacant consumer member seat.

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SB 286, Ch. 191 ED § 24-701(l)	Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation Department of Business and Economic Development University System of Maryland State Superintendent of Schools	<p>(1) the [Governor's P-20 Leadership] Council shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before December 15 of each year.</p> <p>(2) the report shall set forth any recommendations from the Council and summarize the Council’s activities during the preceding year.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: (g)(1) there is an Executive Committee of the [Governor's P-20 Leadership] Council that shall Direct the Council in its work.</p> <p>(2) the Executive Committee shall include the following members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iii) the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; (iv) the Secretary of Business and Economic Development; (v) the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland; and (vi) the State Superintendent of Schools <p>(j) members of the Executive Committee shall provide the primary staff support necessary for the Council.</p>
SB 141, Ch. 484(38)	Department of Legislative Services independent consultant	<p>(g) the Department of Legislative Services shall contract with an independent consultant to complete a study of the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) whether the State Board of Elections voting system support services contract approved by the board of public works on February 24, 2010, is maximally cost–effective and includes only services that are clearly necessary for the conduct of elections; (2) whether the State Board of Elections proposed procurement of an optical scan voting system for deployment in the 2010 elections was maximally cost–effective and included only equipment that is clearly necessary for the conduct of elections; (3) the necessity of the State Board’s proposed procurement of voting booths and supply carts to implement an optical scan voting system for the 2010 elections; (4) the amount, if any, by which voting system operations and maintenance costs would be reduced if an optical scan voting system is implemented; (5) current and projected operations and maintenance costs for the State’s current voting system; (6) the projected life span of the State’s current voting system; (7) a comparison of the overall cost of continuing to use the State’s current voting system as opposed to implementing an optical scan voting system; and (8) recommendations for procuring and implementing an optical scan voting system in a cost–effective manner. <p>(h) the independent consultant shall consult with voting system experts and review the voting system contracts and policies of other jurisdictions in making findings and recommendations concerning the issues enumerated in subsection (g) of this section.</p> <p>(i) on or before December 1, 2010, the independent consultant shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.</p>

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SB 141, Ch. 484(46)	Department of Legislative Services Public Employees' and Retirees' Benefit Sustainability Commission	(h)(1) On or before December 15, 2010, the [Public Employees' and Retirees' Benefit Sustainability] Commission shall issue a report of its findings and recommendations that are specific and actionable to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, the Joint Committee on Pensions, and the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Retiree Health Care Funding Options. Staffing Statement: (d)(1) The Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Commission. [1 of 2 reports.]
SB 141, Ch. 484(46)	Department of Legislative Services Public Employees' and Retirees' Benefit Sustainability Commission	(h)(2) On or before June 30, 2011, the [Public Employees' and Retirees' Benefit Sustainability] Commission shall issue a final report of its findings and recommendations that are specific and actionable to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, the Joint Committee on Pensions, and the Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Retiree Health Care Funding Options. Staffing Statement: (d)(1) The Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Commission. [2 of 2 reports.]
SB 987, Ch. 367 NR § 1-107	Department of Natural Resources	In any report issued under this title, the Department [of Natural Resources] may: (1) include recommendations for statutory and budgetary proposals to: (i) promote public awareness of the benefits of conserving fisheries and wildlife in the State; and (ii) reduce the incidence of violations of State conservation laws; and (2) submit the report to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.
SB 987, Ch. 367(3)	Department of Natural Resources	That the General Assembly encourages the Department of Natural Resources to conduct a study to identify additional changes to existing law that may enable the Natural Resources Police Force to become more effective and efficient, including a study of the benefits of requiring the use of technology for the prevention and detection of violations. Any findings and recommendations shall be presented in a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Environmental Matters Committee by December 1, 2010, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article.
SB 987, Ch. 367(4)	Department of Natural Resources	That the Department of Natural Resources, in cooperation with sportsmen's groups, and any other entities deemed appropriate by the Department, shall study funding policies that may bolster the ranks of the Natural Resources Police Force in order to help meet 21st century demands on conservation law enforcement, including policies by which revenues realized under this [Conservation Law Enforcement] Act may be used to leverage additional revenues from the public and private sectors. On or before October 1, 2011, the Department shall report its findings and recommendations, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Environmental Matters Committee.

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SB 319, Ch. 278 HB 915, Ch. 279 SPP § 5A-330(h)	Department of Planning Maryland Historical Trust Commission on African American History and Culture	On or before October 1 of each year, the [Maryland Historical] Trust and Commission [on African American History and Culture] shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on state grants awarded for African American Heritage Preservation capital projects for the prior fiscal year.
SB 278, Ch. 489(2) HB 474, Ch. 488(2) SF § 5-707	Department of Planning Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission	On or before December 1 of each year, the [Maryland Sustainable Growth] Commission shall report, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on its activities and recommendations to: (1) the Speaker of the House; (2) the President of the Senate; (3) the House Environmental Matters Committee; (4) the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee; and (5) the Governor. Staffing Statement: SF § 5–705 the Department of Planning shall provide staff for the Commission.
HB 72, Ch. 383 EN § 14-124 14–124	Department of the Environment	Beginning November 1, 2010, the Department [of the Environment] shall report each year to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on: (1) the status of the [Oil and Gas] Fund; (2) revenues of and expenditures from the Fund; (3) the efficiency of the regulatory program under this subtitle; (4) compliance rates within the regulatory program under this subtitle; and (5) based on the factors listed in items (1) through (4) of this section, the necessity to review and adjust the fee in accordance with § 14–105(d) of this subtitle.
HB 982, Ch. 719	Department of the Environment	(a) In consultation with local government officials, waste haulers, and other affected parties, including material resource facilities, the Department of the Environment shall conduct a study to evaluate solid waste management processes that reduce the solid waste stream through recycling and source reduction, including: (1) the expansion of recycling efforts in nonresidential markets; (2) the feasibility of commodity–specific targets; and (3) long–term funding for solid waste and recycling management in the State. (b)(1) On or before December 15, 2010, the Department of the Environment shall submit an interim report, to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the results of the study required under subsection (a) of this section. [1 of 2 reports.]

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HB 982, Ch. 719	Department of the Environment	<p>(a) In consultation with local government officials, waste haulers, and other affected parties, including material resource facilities, the Department of the Environment shall conduct a study to evaluate solid waste management processes that reduce the solid waste stream through recycling and source reduction, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the expansion of recycling efforts in nonresidential markets; (2) the feasibility of commodity-specific targets; and (3) long-term funding for solid waste and recycling management in the State. <p>(b) ...</p> <p>(2) On or before December 15, 2011, the Department of the Environment shall submit a final report, to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the results of the study required under subsection (a) of this section.</p> <p>[2 of 2 reports.]</p>
SB 1117, Ch. 377(3(b))	Department of the Environment	<p>(a) The Secretary of the Environment shall convene a work group consisting of representatives of the various sectors of the petroleum marketing industry and representatives from appropriate public and private entities to review and assess the long-term funding needs of the oil pollution programs in the State.</p> <p>(b) On or before December 31, 2012, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Department of the Environment shall report the findings and recommendations of the work group to the Legislative Policy Committee, the House Environmental Matters Committee, and the Senate Finance Committee and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee.</p>
HB 487, Ch. 416(2)	Department of the Environment State Board of Waterworks and Waste Systems Operators	<p>That, on or before October 1, 2011, the State Board of Waterworks and Waste Systems Operators, in conjunction with the Department of the Environment, shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Environmental Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the options for development of a database to be used for tracking waste systems facilities and the employment of superintendents at facilities; (2) whether to recommend statutory changes to exempt facilities of a certain size or type from the requirement to employ a certified superintendent; (3) the use of circuit riders by facilities in Maryland and system compliance for facilities with circuit riders; (4) the adoption of regulations establishing the Board's circuit rider experience crediting policy; (5) workforce conditions, including retirement, turnover, and salary, that affect future facility compliance with the certified operator requirement; (6) the options for upgrading the Board's administrative database and website, and the compatibility of the Board's administrative database with the Department of the Environment's databases; (7) the use of the Department of the Environment's penalty authority and any recommended changes to that authority; (8) preexamination training opportunities for operators; (9) the status of implementing computer-based examinations; and (10) the Board's ability to generate sufficient fee revenue for the General Fund to cover the Board's expenses.

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SB 229, Ch. 525 HB 710, Ch. 526	Department of Transportation	(h) On or before January 1, 2011, the Commission [on Maryland Transportation Funding] shall submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly. Staffing Statement: (g) The Department of Transportation shall provide staff support to the Commission. [1 of 2 reports.]
SB 229, Ch. 525 HB 710, Ch. 526	Department of Transportation	(i) On or before November 1, 2011, the Commission [on Maryland Transportation Funding] shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, subject to § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly. Staffing Statement: (g) The Department of Transportation shall provide staff support to the Commission. [2 of 2 reports.]
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 TR § 4-406(e)	Department of Transportation Maryland Transportation Authority	Not less than 30 days before entering into a Public–Private Partnership agreement, the [Transportation] Authority shall submit to the Budget Committees, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, an analysis of the impact of the proposed Public–Private Partnership agreement on the authority’s financing plan, including the authority’s operating and capital budgets and debt capacity.
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 TR § 4-406(c)(1)	Department of Transportation Maryland Transportation Authority	Not less than 45 days before issuing a public notice of solicitation for a Public–Private Partnership, the [Transportation] Authority shall submit to the Budget Committees, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, a report concerning the proposed Public–Private Partnership.
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 TR § 4-406(c)(2)	Department of Transportation Maryland Transportation Authority	By January 1 of each year, the [Transportation] Authority shall submit to the Budget Committees, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, a report concerning each Public–Private Partnership under consideration at that time by the Authority that has not been reviewed or approved previously by the General Assembly.
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 TR § 4-406(c)(3)	Department of Transportation Maryland Transportation Authority	By January 1 of each year, the [Transportation] Authority shall submit to the Budget Committees, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, a status report concerning each existing Public–Private Partnership in which the Authority is involved.
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 TR § 4-406(d)	Department of Transportation Maryland Transportation Authority	By January 1 of each year, the [Transportation] Authority shall submit to the Budget Committees, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, a report concerning each Public–Private Partnership for which the Authority is providing conduit financing.
HB 674, Ch. 491 TR § 25-108(d)	Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration State Highway Administration	On or before January 1 of each year, the [Motor Vehicle] Administration and The State Highway Administration jointly shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on the effect of the use of the plug–in vehicle permits issued under this section on the operation of HOV lanes in the state.

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SB 602, Ch. 492 TR § 25-108(d)	Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration State Highway Administration	On or before January 1 of each year, the [Motor Vehicle] Administration and the State Highway Administration jointly shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on the effect of the use of the plug-in vehicle permits issued under this section on the operation of HOV lanes in the State.
HB 667, Ch. 691 TR § 24-113.2(k)(3)	Department of Transportation State Highway Administration	The State Highway Administrator shall promptly report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, regarding any decision to stop issuing or renewing exceptional hauling permits under this section and the reason for the decision.
SB 979, Ch. 640(2) HB 1370, Ch. 641(2)	Department of Transportation Department of General Services Department of Legislative Services	<p>On or before December 1, 2011, the Commission [on Oversight of Public-Private Partnerships] shall report its findings and legislative recommendations concerning the issues outlined in subsection (f) of this section for consideration during the 2012 regular session of the General Assembly to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: (d) The Department of Transportation, Department of General Services, and the Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Commission.</p>
SB 1033, Ch. 511 HB 1353, Ch. 512	Department of Veterans Affairs	<p>(a) The Department of Veterans Affairs shall develop a Military Health Care Provider Transition Plan.</p> <p>(b) The purpose of the Plan is to increase the number of veterans, including current and former members of the Reserve forces and National Guard, with expertise in health care workforce shortage areas to transition into civilian health care provider positions.</p> <p>(c) The Department shall work in conjunction with the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; (2) the Department of Housing and Community Development; (3) the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation; (4) the Governor's Workforce Investment Board; and (5) the Maryland Higher Education Commission. <p>(d) The Plan shall include specific goals for the recruitment of qualified individuals in each of the health care workforce shortage areas, including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) the specific professional or technical workforce shortage areas to be targeted; and (2) the number of qualified individuals needed for each workforce shortage area. <p>(e) The Department shall address the concerns and recommendations identified in the Report of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene as required under Chapter 441 of the Acts of 2007, Identifying and Breaking Down Barriers: Easing the Transition from Active Duty to Civilian Health Care Provider,</p> <p>(f) The Department shall complete the Plan on or before December 1, 2011.</p>
SB 1033, Ch. 511 HB 1353, Ch. 512	Department of Veterans Affairs	<p>(h) On or before January 1, 2012, the Department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.</p> <p>[Veterans Affairs - Military Health Care Provider Transition Plan]</p>

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Citation	Agency	Topic
SB 1033, Ch. 511 HB 1353, Ch. 512	Department of Veterans Affairs	(g) On or before December 1, 2010, the Department [of Veterans Affairs] shall submit an interim report on its findings to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly. [Veterans Affairs - Military Health Care Provider Transition Plan]
SB 107, Ch. 2(11)	Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight	(1) The Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight shall study changes to the unemployment insurance system that would provide a cost-neutral plan to effectuate a graduated increase of the maximum weekly benefit to 54% of the average weekly wage. (2)(i) The study shall include a determination of whether the change made under § 8–803 (d) (1) (iii) of the Labor and Employment Article, as enacted by Section 5 of this Act, serves as a disincentive for claimants to return to work and whether the computation under § 8–803 (d)(1)(iii) of the Labor and Employment Article, as enacted by Section 5 of this Act, should be changed to be based on the amount of weekly wages. The Joint Committee shall review any research on this issue to assist in this determination. (ii) If the study indicates that the computation under § 8–803 (d) (1) (iii) of the Labor and Employment Article, as enacted by Section 5 of this Act, should be changed in a manner that increases benefit payouts, the Joint Committee shall determine a method for obtaining an equivalent amount of savings to the Unemployment Insurance Fund. (iii) If the study is inconclusive, the Joint Committee shall continue each year to monitor whether the change made under § 8–803(d)(1)(iii) of the Labor and Employment Article, as enacted by Section 5 of this Act, serves as a disincentive for claimants to return to work. (3) The Joint Committee shall report on or before December 1, 2010, to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly with its recommendations.
SB 34, Ch. 515(2) HB 267, Ch. 516(2)	Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight	(a) The Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight shall study Title 8 of the Labor and Employment Article and related federal law as it relates to employing units engaged in seasonal industries; (b) The study conducted under subsection (a) of this section shall include: (1) a review of employing unit obligations and payments required under Title 8 of the Labor and Employment Article and related federal law; (2) the impact of the obligations and required payments on employing units located in a county in which the average unemployment rate exceeds the average unemployment rate of the State; and (3) how the obligations and payments may be reduced for employing units engaged in seasonal industries. (c) On or before December 1, 2010, the Joint Committee on Unemployment Insurance Oversight shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on its findings and recommendations. Staffing Statement: SG § 2-10A-11(f)(1) the Department of Legislative Services shall provide staffing for the Committee.
HB 223, Ch. 74(2)	Maryland General Assembly Senate Budget and Taxation Committee House Ways and Means Committee	That the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee shall study the appropriate calculation of the penalty for failing to meet the maintenance of effort requirement and the appropriate party against whom the penalty should be applied. On or before December 31, 2010, the committees shall report their findings and recommendations to the Legislative Policy Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article.

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Citation	Agency	Topic
SB 693, Ch. 593 HB 1164, Ch. 594 SF § 14-410(f)	Maryland Green Purchasing Committee	On or before October 1 of each year, the [Maryland Green Purchasing] Committee shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the Committee's activities and the progress made as a result of the implementation of this section.
HB 1470, Ch. 740(2)	Maryland Insurance Administration	<p>(a) The Maryland Insurance Commissioner shall:</p> <p>(1) study, in consultation with the title insurance industry, the feasibility of establishing a guaranty fund or other mechanism for compensating consumers and title insurers who have money that is held in escrow in connection with a real estate transaction stolen by a title insurance producer;</p> <p>(2) adopt regulations specifying the manner in which a title insurer conducts the annual on-site review required under § 10-121 (k) of the Insurance Article of the underwriting, claims, and escrow practices of each title insurance producer appointed by the insurer as a principal agent; and</p> <p>(3) examine the current rate review and approval process for title insurance premiums, including the appropriateness of including operating expenses as a component of the total rate charged and whether additional factors, such as underwriting losses, loss ratios, and combined ratios, should be considered when reviewing title insurance rates.</p> <p>(b) On or before December 31, 2010, the Commissioner shall report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the status of the regulations and findings of the study and examination required under subsection (a) of this section.</p>
SB 314, Ch. 537(4)	Maryland Insurance Administration	<p>(a) The Maryland Insurance Administration shall study:</p> <p>(1) the benefits, including payments:</p> <p>(i) provided by insurers before the effective date of Section 1 of this Act under preferred provider insurance policies for covered services rendered by nonpreferred providers at hospitals that are preferred providers during emergencies and elective admissions; and</p> <p>(ii) as reported by each insurer contacted by the Administration; and</p> <p>(2) the impact of these benefits on complaints filed by insureds with insurers and the Administration regarding balance billing.</p> <p>(b) On or before December 1, 2010, the Administration shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on its findings under this section and any recommendations including a methodology for determining the final allowed amount to be paid for a claim under § 14-205.2 of the Insurance Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this [Assignment of Benefits and Reimbursement of Nonpreferred Providers] Act.</p>

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Citation	Agency	Topic
HB 1470, Ch. 740(3)	Maryland Insurance Administration Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation	(a) The Maryland Insurance Administration and the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall: (1)(i) develop a document, entitled “The Title Insurance Consumer’s Bill of Rights”, that explains a consumer’s rights and responsibilities in a real estate transaction closing; (ii) make the document available on their websites; and (iii) adopt regulations requiring that the document be provided to a consumer at the same time that a good faith estimate is given to a consumer in connection with a mortgage loan; and (2) share information regarding complaints received involving real estate closings and work collaboratively to track any patterns of problem transactions or licensees. (b) On or before December 31, 2010, the Administration and the Department shall report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the status of the document, regulations, and collaboration between the Administration and the Department required under subsection (a) of this section.
SB 275, Ch. 190 ED § 24-705(a)	Maryland Longitudinal Data System Center Governing Board	(a) the [Maryland Longitudinal Data System Center] Governing Board shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before December 15 of each year. (b) the report shall include: (1) an update on the implementation of the Maryland longitudinal data system and the center’s activities; (2) a list of all studies performed by the center during the reporting period; (3) a list of currently warehoused data that is determined to be no longer necessary to carry out the mission of the center; (4) any proposed or planned expansion of data maintained in the database; and (5) any other recommendations made by the Governing Board.
SB 275, Ch. 190(2)	Maryland Longitudinal Data System Center Governing Board	That before the incorporation of any individual data in the Maryland Longitudinal Data System, the Governing Board of the Maryland Longitudinal Data Center shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly, on: (1) the inventory of individual student data proposed to be maintained in the system; (2) the policies of the Center to comply with the federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, and other privacy measures required by law or the Governing Board; and (3) a data security and safeguarding plan for the Center.
SB 911, Ch. 635 PUC § 12-114	Maryland Underground Facilities Damage Prevention Authority	Beginning January 1, 2012, the [Maryland Underground Facilities Damage Prevention] Authority shall report each year to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on the activities of the Authority and any recommendations of the Authority.

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HB 1464, Ch. 739 ART 23A § 70	Municipal Corporation's Land Bank Authority	<p>An [Municipal Corporation's Land Bank] Authority shall report annually to the municipal corporation where the Authority is located and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on the activities of the authority.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: This bill authorizes the governing body of each municipal corporation to create a land bank authority. A land bank authority may acquire, rehabilitate, own, and sell or transfer properties. A land bank authority may establish a land acquisition fund and issue bonds for the purchase and rehabilitation of properties. A land bank authority does not have power of eminent domain and may not levy any tax or special assessment.</p>
HB 1043, Ch. 453 CP § 11-923(g)(5)	Office of Crime Control & Prevention	<p>On or before January 1 each year, the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention shall submit an annual report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on child advocacy centers to the General Assembly.</p>
HB 1160, Ch. 188(2)	Office of Crime Control & Prevention	<p>That, on or before July 1, 2011, the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention shall: (1) perform a community services survey to determine which gang prevention and intervention services exist in each county; (2) develop criteria for gang prevention and intervention programs that are evidence-based and produce measurable outcomes; (3) make recommendations for a pilot program to provide comprehensive gang prevention and intervention services for a high school where gang activity is prevalent and the high school's middle school feeder system; and (4) report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article.</p>
HB 209, Ch. 398 SF § 8-117(g)(3)	Office of Minority Affairs	<p>On or before July 1 of each year, the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs shall report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the information submitted to the Governor's Office Of Minority Affairs under this subsection [General Obligation Bonds for Capital Projects].</p>
SB 1067, Ch. 649	Prince George's County Task Force on Solar Hot Water Systems in Prince George's County	<p>(h) On or before December 31, 2010, the Task Force [on Solar Hot Water Systems in Prince George's County] shall report its findings and recommendations to the Prince George's County Senators, the Prince George's County Delegation, and the Prince George's County Council and the Prince George's County Executive, and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee.</p> <p>Staffing Statement: (d) The Prince George's County government shall provide staff for the Task Force.</p>

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HB 558, Ch. 684(2)	Prince George's County Board of License Commissioners	That, on or before November 1, 2013, the Board of License Commissioners shall report to the Prince George's County House and Senate Delegations of the Maryland General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the activities of permit holders and the impact of entertainment permits on Prince George's County. The Board shall include in the report the amount of revenue raised by the permit fees, and the number of permits issued, suspended, or revoked, permit violations committed by permit holders, and complaints lodged against permit holders during the period of July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2013.
SB 590, Ch. 324(5) HB 243, Ch. 325(5)	Public School Labor Relations Board	That, on or before July 1, 2014, the Public School Labor Relations Board shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the implementation of this [Fairness in Negotiations] Act.
HB 801, Ch. 437(2)	Public Service Commission	(c) On or before January 1, 2011, the [Public Service] Commission shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee on the recommendations of the technical advisory group and the regulations adopted under this section.
SB 476, Ch. 73(2)	Senate Budget and Taxation Committee House Ways and Means Committee	That the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee shall study the appropriate calculation of the penalty for failing to meet the maintenance of effort requirement and the appropriate party against whom the penalty should be applied. On or before December 31, 2010, the committees shall report their findings and recommendations to the Legislative Policy Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article.
HB 665, Ch. 429	Sheriff of Prince George's County District Court in Prince George's County Administrative Judge	That, on or before September 1, 2012, the Sheriff of Prince George's County and the administrative judge for the District Court in Prince George's County jointly shall submit a report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, that evaluates the global positioning satellite tracking system pilot program established by this Act.
HB 1336, Ch. 464(2)	Sheriff of Washington County District Court in Washington County Administrative Judge	That, on or before September 1, 2012, the Sheriff of Washington County and the administrative judge for the District Court in Washington County jointly shall submit a report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, that evaluates the global positioning satellite tracking system pilot program established by this Act.

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SB 793, Ch. 614 SPP § 21-123(c)(2)	State Retirement Agency	<p>(2) on or before October 1 of each year, the Board of Trustees shall submit a report, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the Joint Committee on Pensions that provides:</p> <p>(i) a list of venture capital funds focusing on qualified information technology, green technology, medical device technology, or bioscience businesses in which the several systems have invested and the amount invested in each venture capital fund.</p> <p>(ii) a statement of the aggregate amount of assets of the several systems invested in companies headquartered in the State by all venture capital funds in which the several systems have made an investment; and</p> <p>(iii) a statement of the aggregate amount of assets of the several systems invested in each of the qualified information technology, green technology, medical device technology, or bioscience businesses by all venture capital funds in which the several systems have made an investment.</p>
SB 317, Ch. 56 HB 775, Ch. 57	State Retirement Agency Board of Trustees	<p>(a) The Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System shall study:</p> <p>(1) the effects that the Consumer Price Index (All Urban Consumers – United States City Average – All Items) as of December 31, 2009, as published by the United States Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics, had on the annual retirement allowance adjustments applied to retirees of other public state pension plans; and</p> <p>(2) the actions other public State pension plans have taken in response to the effects that the Consumer Price Index (All Urban Consumers – United States City Average – All Items) as of December 31, 2009, as published by the United States Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics, has had on the retirees and beneficiaries of deceased retirees of these plans.</p> <p>(b) On or before October 1, 2010, the Board of Trustees shall submit a report in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the Joint Committee on Pensions that provides:</p> <p>(1) a summary of its findings under paragraph (1) of this subsection; and</p> <p>(2) recommendations to avoid benefit reductions to retirees of the several systems when the annual Consumer Price Index results in a decrease in annual retirement allowances for retirees and beneficiaries of deceased retirees of the several systems of the State Retirement and Pension System.</p>
SB 979, Ch. 640 HB 1370, Ch. 641 SF § 10A-102(b)	Treasurer's Office	<p>The State Treasurer shall submit to the Budget Committees, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, each analysis required under subsection (a) of this section within 30 days after the State Treasurer receives a proposed Public–Private Partnership agreement from a unit of State Government.</p>
SB 96, Ch. 37 PUC § 20-204(b)(9)(ii)	Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission	<p>(b) Regulations that establish the program under subsection (a) of this section shall include provisions that: ...</p> <p>(9)(ii) require the [Washington Suburban Sanitary] Commission to report annually to the Montgomery County and Prince George’s County Senate and House Delegations to the Maryland General Assembly on any waivers granted under this subsection.</p>

Part VII
Reports to the Budget Committees (2010
Budget Bill/Joint Chairmen's Report)

Department of Legislative Services
Annapolis, Maryland

June 2010

Summary of 2010 *Joint Chairmen's Report* Items

Operating Budget

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5	C80B Office of the Public Defender	Established policies and procedures implementing the recommendations of OLA	OPD	November 1, 2010	Status
6	C81C Office of the Attorney General	Estimates of indirect cost recovery of other divisions to the division of Legal Counsel and Advice	OAG	November 1, 2010	Status
8	D05E Board of Public Works	Audited financials and five-year financial plan	Maryland Zoological Society	November 1, 2010	Study
8	D05E Board of Public Works	Attendance report	Maryland Zoological Society	Monthly	Status
10	D12A Executive Department – Department of Disabilities	Plan for the inclusion of WMATA measures	MDOD WMATA MDOT	September 1, 2010	Status
12	D13A Executive Department – Maryland Energy Administration	Program funding allocation for fiscal 2010 actual expenditures and 2011 revised spending plan	MEA	September 15, 2010	Status
12	D13A Executive Department – Maryland Energy Administration	Program funding allocation for fiscal 2012 and updated spending plan for fiscal 2011	MEA	Concurrent with the submission of the fiscal 2012 allowance	Status
12	D13A Executive Department – Maryland Energy Administration	Plan to address long-term funding needs	MEA	November 1, 2010	Status

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19	D25E Board of Public Works – Interagency Committee for School Construction	Report certifying 115 maintenance surveys	IAC	45 days before release of funds	Status ROF
19	D25E Board of Public Works – Interagency Committee for School Construction	Report certifying 230 maintenance surveys	IAC	45 days before release of funds	Status ROF
21	D38I State Board of Elections	Report on existing and planning multi-year contracts and estimated funding need for the 2010 elections	SBE	August 1, 2010	Status ROF
22	D38I State Board of Elections	Certification that information has been received from SBE	Independent consultant of DLS	45 days prior to the release of funds	Status ROF
28	D70J Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund	Annual report on the reasonableness of the surplus of the Insured Division of MAIF	MIA	Concurrent with submission to the Presiding Officers of the General Assembly and the Chair and Vice Chair of the Senate Finance and House Economic Matters committees	Status
28	D70J Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund	Strategic consulting expenditures for calendar 2009 and 2010	MAIF	August 1, 2010	Status
28	D70J Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund	Strategic consulting, lobbying, marketing, public relations, advertising, and producer appreciation event expenditures in calendar 2011	MAIF	Concurrent with submission of the calendar 2011 budget	Status

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33	F10 Department of Budget and Management	Report on the costs and benefits of using synthetic motor oil	DBM	October 1, 2010	Study
34	F50 Department of Information Technology	Six-year IT Project Plan	DoIT	Report on the Major Information Technology Development Project Fund	Status
41	H00 Department of General Services	Facility maintenance funding proposal	DGS	July 1, 2010	Study ROF
43	J00 Department of Transportation	Capital budget changes	MDOT	With draft CTP With final CTP	Status
44	J00 Department of Transportation	Information on nontransportation expenditures exceeding \$250,000	MDOT	As needed	Status
44	J00 Department of Transportation	Additional contractual full-time equivalents	MDOT	As needed	Status
45	J00 Department of Transportation	Updated financial forecast	MDOT	Three days after Board of Revenue Estimates March 2011 revision	Status
47	J00A01 MDOT – The Secretary’s Office	Explanation of need for additional special funds for grants-in-aid	MDOT	As needed	Status
49	J00A01 MDOT – The Secretary’s Office	Budget report	WMATA MDOT	30 days after budget is finalized	Status
50	J00A04 MDOT – Debt Service Requirements	Nontraditional debt outstanding and anticipated debt service payments	MDOT	With September forecast With January forecast	Status

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51	J00A04 MDOT – Debt Service Requirements	Justification for increasing nontraditional debt outstanding	MDOT	45 days prior to the publication of a preliminary official statement	Status
55	J00D MDOT – Maryland Port Administration	Report on first year of public-private partnership	MPA	January 15, 2011	Status
58	J00E MDOT – Motor Vehicle Administration	Driving records audit	MVA	December 1, 2010	Study
59	J00H MDOT – Maryland Transit Administration	Options for meeting farebox recovery	MTA	December 15, 2010	Study
59	J00H MDOT – Maryland Transit Administration	Notification of police consolidation	MTA MDTA	45 days before consolidation is to occur	Status
60	J00H MDOT – Maryland Transit Administration	Information on third-party contract	MTA	45 days after BPW approval	Status
61	J00H MDOT – Maryland Transit Administration	Financial information for the Red Line, Purple Line, and Corridor Cities Transitway	MTA	45 days after the New Starts application is submitted to FTA for each proposed project to enter into preliminary engineering	Status
65	J00J Maryland Transportation Authority	Report on legislative oversight of transportation law enforcement	MDTA MDOT State Police	November 1, 2010	Study
66	J00J Maryland Transportation Authority	Report on the proposed contract provision	MDTA	45 days prior to entering into an agreement	Study

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68	K00 Department of Natural Resources	Report on future of Maryland's furbearer management program	DNR MDA Maryland Legislative Sportsmen's Foundation	December 1, 2010	Study
69	K00 Department of Natural Resources	Report on promulgation of deer hunting regulations	DNR	January 1, 2011	Status
71	K00 Department of Natural Resources	Historical Chesapeake Bay stream water quality monitoring report	DNR	December 1, 2010	Study
73	L00 Department of Agriculture	Easement monitoring compliance report	MALPF	December 1, 2010	Status
75	L00 Department of Agriculture	Report on soil conservation district field personnel position counts and funding	MDA	Fiscal 2012 State budget submission and annually thereafter	Status
77	M00A DHMH – Office of the Secretary	Alzheimer's disease and related disorders	DHMH MDOA	December 1, 2010	Study
78	M00A DHMH – Office of the Secretary	Incomplete survey and inspection activities	OHCQ	October 1, 2010	Status
80	M00F02 DHMH – Infectious Disease and Environmental Health Admin.	A plan on licensing regulations	DHMH MDA	September 1, 2010	Status ROF
80	M00F02 DHMH – Infectious Disease and Environmental Health Admin.	Report on local health department funding	DHMH	January 1, 2011	Study ROF
84	M00L DHMH – Mental Hygiene Admin.	RTC capacity	MHA	November 15, 2010	Study ROF

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86	M00L DHMH – Mental Hygiene Admin.	Community service expansion on the Eastern Shore related to the closure of USCMHC	MHA	October 1, 2010	Status
86	M00L DHMH – Mental Hygiene Admin.	Core Service Agency Grants	MHA	December 1, 2010	Status
87	M00M DHMH – Developmental Disabilities Admin.	Waiting list issues	DDA	October 1, 2010	Study ROF
88	M00M DHMH – Developmental Disabilities Admin.	Various fiscal 2012 through 2014 projected service needs and costs	DDA	October 1, 2010	Study ROF
88	M00M DHMH – Developmental Disabilities Admin.	Annual Level of Care Re-evaluations	DHMH	October 1, 2010	Study ROF
89	M00M DHMH – Developmental Disabilities Admin.	Reconciliation of fiscal 2008, 2009, and 2010 transitioning youth expenditures	DDA	October 1, 2010	Status
90	M00Q DHMH – Medical Care Programs Administration	Savings and program impacts of various program changes	Medical Care Programs Admin.	November 15, 2010	Study ROF
91	M00Q DHMH – Medical Care Programs Administration	Independent report on claims processing and eligibility payment error reduction and utilization review strategies	DHMH DHR	December 1, 2010	Study
93	M00Q DHMH – Medical Care Programs Administration	MMIS project management oversight and subject matter expert availability	DoIT DHMH	July 1, 2010	Status ROF
93	M00Q DHMH – Medical Care Programs Administration	MMIS project status if November 1, 2010 award date is not met	DoIT DHMH	November 15, 2010	Status ROF

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95	M00Q DHMH – Medical Care Programs Administration	Reconciliation of certain hospital assessment revenue	DHMH	July 1, 2010	Status
96	N00 Department of Human Resources	Progress/initial outcome report – “No Wrong Door”	DHR	December 31, 2010	Study
96	N00 Department of Human Resources	Final report – “No Wrong Door”	DHR	June 30, 2011	Study
97	N00A DHR – Office of the Secretary	Performance measures related to outcomes for CRBC and Office of Grants Management	DHR	With the submission of the fiscal 2012 budget allowance	Status
97	N00A DHR – Office of the Secretary	Plan to alter case reviews in CRBC	DHR	July 15, 2010	Status
101	N00G DHR – Local Department Operations	Report on caseload data and filled positions assigned by jurisdiction for specified caseload types	DHR	December 1, 2010 March 1, 2011	Status
103	N00G DHR – Local Department Operations	Plan for the implementation of the consolidation of administrative functions	DHR	June 1, 2010	Status
112	Q00C01 DPSCS – Maryland Parole Commission	Impact of parole guidelines on parole rates and rates of return	Maryland Parole Commission	November 1, 2010	Status
114	Q00C01 DPSCS – Maryland Parole Commission	DDMP Active Cases	DPP	With the annual budget submission	Status
114	Q00C01 DPSCS – Maryland Parole Commission	Consolidating office space	DPP DGS	September 1, 2010	Study
115	Q00D DPSCS – Patuxent Institution	Analysis of consolidating the Patuxent Institution within DOC	DPSCS	October 1, 2010	Study

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118	Q00K DPSCS – Criminal Injuries Compensation Board	Improving CICB operations	CICB	October 15, 2010	Status ROF
121	R00A01 MSDE – Headquarters	Report on loaned educator contracts	MSDE	December 15, 2010	Status
122	R00A01 MSDE – Headquarters	Report on high school dropouts	MSDE	March 1, 2011	Study
123	R00A01 MSDE – Headquarters	Legislative auditor review of MSDE assessment contracts	OLA	December 1, 2010	Status
124	R00A01 MSDE – Headquarters	Major IT projects related to longitudinal data	MSDE MHEC DoIT	December 1, 2010	Status
126	R00A02 MSDE – Aid to Education	Report of any transfer of funds from R00A02	MSDE	45 days prior to transfer	Status
128	R00A04 MSDE – Children’s Cabinet Interagency Fund	Report on out-of-home placements	GOC	December 1, 2010	Study
129	R13M Morgan State University	Annual report on instructional workload for tenured and tenure-track faculty	MSU	December 1, 2010	Status
129	R13M Morgan State University	Report on all categories of institutional aid provided in the same format submitted to MHEC	MSU	January 10, 2011	Status
129	R13M Morgan State University	Report on fiscal 2009 and 2010 data by cohort of all students participating in Access and Success programs	MSU	To MHEC by August 15, 2010	Status
129	R13M Morgan State University	Consolidated report on fiscal 2009 and 2010 outcomes by cohort of students participating in Access and Success programs across the HBIs	MHEC	October 15, 2010	Status

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131	R14D St. Mary's College of Maryland	Report on addressing audit findings and on Board of Trustees oversight	SMCM Board of Trustees	September 1, 2010	Status ROF
132	R30B00 USM	Annual report on instructional workload for tenured and tenure-track faculty	USM	December 1, 2010	Status
132	R30B00 USM	Report on all categories of institutional aid provided in the same format submitted to MHEC	USM	January 10, 2011	Status
133	R30B21 USM – UMB	Report on progress toward addressing audit findings	UMB	September 1, 2010	Status ROF
133	R30B21 USM – UMB	Information on compensation paid to employees for sabbatical leave, summer research, and bonus payments	UMB	With the fiscal 2012 allowance	Status
134	R30B21 USM – UMB	Report on the Environmental Law Clinic	University of Maryland, Baltimore School of Law	August 1, 2010	Study
135	R30B23 USM – BSU	Report on fiscal 2009 and 2010 data by cohort of all students participating in Access and Success programs	BSU	To MHEC by August 15, 2010	Status
135	R30B23 USM – BSU	Consolidated report on fiscal 2009 and 2010 outcomes by cohort of students participating in Access and Success programs across the HBIs	MHEC	October 15, 2010	Status
136	R30B25 USM – UMES	Report on fiscal 2009 and 2010 data by cohort of all students participating in Access and Success programs	UMES	To MHEC by August 15, 2010	Status
136	R30B25 USM – UMES	Consolidated report on fiscal 2009 and 2010 outcomes by cohort of students participating in Access and Success programs across the HBIs	MHEC	October 15, 2010	Status
137	R30B27 USM – CSU	Report on fiscal 2009 and 2010 data by cohort of all students participating in Access and Success programs	CSU	To MHEC by August 15, 2010	Status
137	R30B27 USM – CSU	Consolidated report on fiscal 2009 and 2010 outcomes by cohort of students participating in Access and Success programs across the HBIs	MHEC	October 15, 2010	Status

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137	R30B27 USM – CSU	Interim report on the implementation of recommendations made by the 2001 CSU study team	USM	December 15, 2010	Study
137	R30B27 USM – CSU	Final report on the implementation of recommendations made by the 2001 CSU study team	USM	July 15, 2011	Study
139	R30B36 USM – USM Office	Report on improving responses to Office of Legislative Audit findings	USM Board of Regents USM Office	September 1, 2010	Status ROF
141	R62I MHEC	The cost of developmental education at Maryland’s colleges and universities	MHEC MACC USM MSU	November 1, 2010	Study
141	R62I MHEC	Report on incentives to increase associate’s degree attainment among community college students prior to transfer to a four-year institution	MACC MHEC USM MSU SMCM	October 1, 2010	Study
142	R62I MHEC	Report on fiscal 2009 and 2010 outcomes by cohort of students participating in Access and Success programs across the HBIs	MHEC	October 15, 2010	Status
143	R62I MHEC	Report on current fiscal year working appropriation for Maryland Higher Education Commission scholarships by program	MHEC	October 15, 2010 January 15, 2011	Status
145	R75T Higher Education	Report on addressing audit findings and on Board of Trustees oversight	SMCM Board of Trustees	September 1, 2010	Status ROF
145	R75T Higher Education	Report on progress toward addressing audit findings	UMB	September 1, 2010	Status ROF
146	R75T Higher Education	Report on improving responses to Office of Legislative Audit findings	USM Board of Regents USM Office	September 1, 2010	Status ROF
147	R75T Higher Education	Report on policies pertaining to interactions with the community prior to the design of a building or modification to existing building	USM MSU SMCM	September 1, 2010	Status

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151	T00 DBED	Report on the Central Business Licensing Project	DBED DoIT	45 days prior to the expenditure of funds	Status ROF
151	T00 DBED	MSBDFA fund summaries	DBED DBM In collaboration with DLS	Annually with the budget submission	Status
154	T00 DBED	Report on support for the steel industry	DBED, in collaboration with MDE and MEA	December 1, 2010	Study
158	U00A MDE	Report on status of Voluntary Cleanup Program	MDE	September 1, 2010	Study
159	U00A MDE	Report on Strategic Energy Investment Fund expenditures	MDE	Fiscal 2012 budget submission and annually thereafter	Study
163	V10A DJS	Substance abuse options for court-involved youth	DJS OPC ADAA	November 1, 2010	Study
164	W10A Department of State Police	2009 Uniform Crime Report	DSP	45 days prior to the expenditure of funds	Status ROF
166	W10A Department of State Police	Submission of a study on helicopter maintenance	DSP	October 1, 2010	Study
170	Section 26	Report on status of ledger control account	IWIF	Monthly beginning on July 1, 2010	Status
171	Section 27	Report of components of each federal fund appropriation	DBM	With submission of fiscal 2012 budget	Status
172	Section 29	Annual report on indirect costs	DBM	With submission of the Governor's fiscal 2012 budget books	Status
173	Section 30	Executive's general fund forecast	DBM	With submission of the Governor's fiscal 2012 budget books	Status

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174	Section 32	Consolidated report on all interagency agreements	DBM	December 1, 2010	Status
177	Section 34	Report on appropriations and disbursements in M00Q01.03, R00A02.07, and N00G00.01	DHMH MSDE DHR	November 1, 2010 March 1, 2011 June 1, 2011	
179	Section 36	Certification of the status of positions created with non-State funding sources during fiscal 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011	DBM	June 30, 2011	Status
180	Section 37	Total number of full-time equivalents on June 30 and July 1, 2010	DBM	July 14, 2010	Status
180	Section 37	Report on the creation, transfer, or abolition of regular positions	DBM	As needed	Status
181	Section 38	Report of all Executive Pay Plan positions	DBM MDOT	July 15, 2010 October 15, 2010 January 15, 2011 April 15, 2011	Status
182	Section 40	Accounting of the employee and retiree health plan revenues and expenditures	DBM	With submission of Governor's fiscal 2012 budget books	Status
183	Section 41	Summary of Chesapeake Bay restoration expenditures and two-year milestone funding	DBM DNR	Fiscal 2012 State budget submission and annually thereafter	Study ROF
184	Section 42	Allocation plan submitted to DBM for the reductions in Comptroller subobject 0193	DHR	In sufficient time to be included in the fiscal 2011 Fiscal Digest	Status
184	Section 42	Copy of the plan as approved by DBM to be submitted to the Department of Legislative Services	DHR	No later than July 1, 2010	Status
184	Section 43	Submission of a long-term plan for speed camera operations	DSP DBM SHA MDTA	45 days prior to expending funds for new positions	Study ROF
186	Section 46	Report on homeland security spending	GOHS	October 1, 2010	Status

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187	Section 47	Report on renewable energy policy on agricultural easements	MEA MDA	December 1, 2010	Status
188	Section 48	Report on Marcellus Shale energy policy on agricultural easements	MDA DNR	December 1, 2010	Status
188	Section 49	Report on implementing procurement preference program for veteran- and service-disabled veteran-owned businesses	DBM DGS MDOT	November 1, 2010	Study ROF

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211	DA02 Department of Disabilities	Notifications of cancelled projects	MDOD	As needed within two weeks of MDOD's completed review	Status
223	RB22 USM – UMCP	Memorandum of understanding regarding the scope of the project or a letter certifying concurrence with use of funds	UMCP City of College Park	Prior to expenditure of funds	Study ROF
229	SA24 DHCD – Division of Neighborhood Revitalization	Report on status of Community Legacy Projects	DHCD	November 1, 2010, and annually thereafter	Study ROF
230	SA24 DHCD – Division of Neighborhood Revitalization	Report on delinquent and defaulted loans in the NBDP program and DHCD's collection practices	DHCD	November 1, 2010, and annually thereafter	Study ROF
233	UA01 MDE – Office of the Secretary	Blue Plains cost sharing memorandum of understanding	MDE	December 1, 2010	Status
235	VE01 DJS – Residential Services	Southern Maryland Regional Detention Center Site Selection Issues	DJS and DGS in cooperation with the local jurisdictions to be served by the facility	Prior to expenditure of funds	Status ROF

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273	ZB02 DPSCS – Local Jails and Detention Centers	Local jails and detention centers population statistics report	DPSCS	September 1, 2010	Status
283	Section 2 – Chapter 485 of the Acts of 2009	Memorandum of understanding regarding the scope of the project or a letter certifying concurrence with use of funds	UMCP City of College Park	Prior to the expenditure of funds	Study ROF

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Part VIII
State Treasurer's Report

June 2010



**TREASURER'S REPORT TO
LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE**

June 15, 2010

Nancy K. Kopp

State Treasurer

Section 5-104 of the State Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland provides that, “*The Treasurer shall address the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly on a semi-annual basis and as necessary on issues of legislative importance, including the activities of the Board of Public Works, bond sales, and investment and procurement initiatives.*” This Report is in fulfillment of that law and covers the period since the report of December 15, 2009. I invite and welcome further discussion with the Committee at your convenience.

The State Treasurer’s activities and responsibilities are of particular concern to the Legislature. One of five statewide Constitutional officers, and the only one elected by the General Assembly, the State Treasurer’s duties are multifaceted and extend throughout State government and higher education. The Treasurer’s duties include membership on the Board of Public Works and Board of Revenue Estimates and Chairmanship of the Capital Debt Affordability Committee. The Treasurer presently also serves as Chair of the Board of Trustees of the College Savings Plans of Maryland and the Board of Trustees of the State Retirement and Pension System. She is a member of the governing boards of the Teachers’ and Employees’ Supplemental Retirement Plans, the Maryland Health and Higher Education Facilities Authority, the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority and of the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation. Several of these Boards work under the general oversight of legislative oversight committees which are in periodic receipt of reports and communications from the Office, as do the two legislative budget committees.

As of May, 2010 the State’s fiscal picture seems to be improving, due to the strength and diversity of Maryland’s economy. While the State continues to face fiscal challenges, the Office continues to build on staff expertise to assist agencies in improving their business processes. The Office continues to assist State agencies in many ways including expanding the use of innovative banking services such as remote deposit, negotiating reduced insurance premiums while enhancing coverage, and advising on procurements. We have also worked to improve our internal information technology programs to allow the Treasurer’s staff to perform their functions more efficiently.

We continue to plan and conduct our bonds sales effectively, while striving to maintain Maryland’s coveted AAA bond rating. We monitor the market routinely to take advantage of savings as they become available in refunding our General Obligation Bonds or to issue new types of debt such as Build America Bonds and Qualified School Construction Bonds. Lastly, we continue to invest State funds carefully and conservatively to minimize risk to the Maryland taxpayers.

While we continue to be fiscally constrained, the Office is working hard and achieving real results. The items set forth below detail a number of these achievements and we are always available to provide greater information or answer questions regarding these and other issues.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

After dealing with \$1 billion in budget cuts during the last six months of calendar year 2009, the Board of Public Works (BPW) returned to a more normal schedule of procurement oversight during the end of 2009 and the first five months of calendar year 2010. Critical and often contentious issues still faced the BPW. Meetings drew considerable interest from concerned parties, including proponents, opponents and the media.

Between December 2, 2009 and May 5, 2010, the Board of Public Works acted on 826 agenda items valued at \$2,439,960,700. Budget pressure had some impact on the number of transactions, particularly related to Program Open Space projects.

Among the numerous contracts, wetlands licenses, land acquisitions and sales that have come before the BPW in the past six months, the following exemplify the scope of actions overseen by the Maryland Board of Public Works, the only constitutionally mandated organization of its type in the nation:

- \$2 million contract for a mandatory disparity study by the Department of Transportation
- \$21.5 million contract for a central monitoring and control system for the Video Lottery Terminal (VLT) system
- Approval of a public-private partnership (P3) lease and concession agreement/real property conveyance between the Maryland Port Administration and Ports America Chesapeake, Inc. (P.A.C.) at the cost to P.A.C. of \$105 million for a new berth at Seagirt Terminal in Baltimore and roughly \$500 million in investment over 50 years
- Approval of declaring surplus 178 acres at the Rosewood Center in Baltimore County
- Approval of an agreement between the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Department of General Services and the Maryland Economic Development Corporation (MEDCO) to build a new Public Health Laboratory at Johns Hopkins' science and technology park in Baltimore
- Approval of a 50-year lease to enable the construction of the National Sailing Hall of Fame & Museum on the waterfront in Annapolis
- \$12 million sale of the Washington *Post* printing plant in College Park for use by the University of Maryland, College Park
- \$595,315,000 sale of General Obligation bonds, including tax-exempt refunding bonds and taxable Build America Bonds, resulting in a total savings of more than \$16 million
- \$35 million for student housing at Towson State University
- Extension of the management contract for Rocky Gap Golf Course and Hotel Meeting Center in Allegany County
- Up to \$200 million for the purchase of Video Lottery Terminals at Ocean Downs in Berlin in Worcester County and Penn National in Perryville in Cecil County

- Approval of maintaining the present State property tax rate of 11.2 cents per \$100 of the full value of real property and 28 cents per \$100 of the full assessed value of real property of public utilities
- \$695,750 to purchase property for the South River Greenway in Anne Arundel County
- Wetland's license for a marine terminal on the Patapsco River in Baltimore
- Renewal of a \$20,419,220 food services contract at Frostburg State University

The Treasurer's Office communicates frequently with legislators about the BPW agenda and items of specific interest to their districts and feedback from legislators is important to the Treasurer. The Treasurer's Office also receives comments and advice from the Department of Legislative Services to ensure that BPW agenda items are consistent with legislative policy.

INVESTMENT DIVISION

The Office's conservative investment policy and practices have protected the State's portfolio through quite volatile times. The par value of the General Fund investment portfolio for April 30, 2010 was \$5,707,937,540.76 as compared to April 30, 2009 when it was \$6,514,345,886.46. This is a reduction of over \$806 million dollars.

On April 30, 2010, the portfolio was earning an average of 2.546%, compared to 3.149% for the same date in 2009. This much lower return reflects the impact of the Federal Open Market Committee maintaining Fed Funds Target rate at .25% or less since December 16, 2008, and the change in portfolio strategy to keep more funds liquid due to unpredictable and volatile cash flows.

The General Fund gross interest earnings received year-to-date for FY 2010 were \$113,866,079 as compared with \$217,091,454 received for the same time period in FY 2009. The \$103 million plus decline in interest received is directly attributable to the fact that FY 2010 had an average \$978 million less daily to invest – a reflection of reduced State revenue – in addition to the much lower interest rate environment.

The securities lending program continues to provide additional revenue. The program has earned \$119,319.29 so far in FY 2010. This compares with \$361,812 for the same period in FY 2009. Much of this reduction is due to the Federal Reserve and Federal Treasury programs designed to add liquidity to the financial markets which drastically reduced borrowers' need for the securities in the State's portfolio.

The Office continues to increase MBE participation in the investment of State funds. Eighteen MBE broker/dealers are on the Office's approved list for FY 2010 and they have handled investments in excess of \$527 million so far this year. This compares to FY 2009, when the Office had fourteen approved broker/dealers who handled over \$1.027 billion in investments. Due to the change in investment strategy demanded by the economic times the Office has only transacted \$3.8 billion in trades this fiscal year as

compared to \$5.5 billion at this time last year. Therefore, the percentage of MBE trades was 18.8% as of April 2009 and 13.9% as of April 2010.

The Maryland Local Government Investment Pool (MLGIP) has maintained its AAAM rating through all of the turbulence in the money markets. The balance at April 30, 2010 was \$2,476,891,571.33 compared with \$2,706,148,256.69 for the same date in 2009. This is a decrease of over \$200 million dollars due to the decreased revenues collected by all members.

The Office continues to invest according to the officially adopted State Treasurer's Investment Policy, which sets out investment goals, priorities and constraints. The overriding goal is to assure sufficient liquidity to maintain uninterrupted funding of State government and legislated payments. As revenues shrink and become less predictable, the strategy has been adjusted to ensure liquidity. The STO continues to review and compare our cash management and investment policies and practices with those of peer AAA-rated states to ensure best practices.

BANKING SERVICES DIVISION

The Banking Services Division is driven by its mission to provide efficient, accurate, and timely banking services to all State agencies and external customers. The continued enhancement of our processes and controls in response to the ever changing needs of State agencies ensures we maintain our timely, accurate, and completely documented reconciliation of the State's cash accounts. Current highlights of activity include:

- Total cash receipts and disbursements each will exceed \$120 billion for FY10.
- The State's bank accounts are reconciled daily to the State's general ledger within two days of receiving all necessary bank data.
- There are no un-reconciled differences. We reconcile the State's cash accounts to the penny every day.

The past six months have been particularly challenging as we have had many unusual working scenarios due to difference in bank and State operating days resulting from State service reduction days and, of course, weather. Our well refined processes and stringent controls allowed us to maintain our mission without incident.

We have also continued our efforts with the Comptroller's Office to convert recurring vendor check payments to electronic payments. At one point, we were converting over 150 vendors a week, increasing efficiencies in the disbursement process. In addition, our Deposit Products team has been working with individual agencies to ensure that the general ledger posting of the electronic receipt of funds is automated to the extent possible.

We actively work with agencies to develop and strengthen their internal processes and to promote efficient banking services. The Maryland Military Department became the second agency to use our depository bank's remote deposit service. The University of Maryland Dental School and the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems have set up lockbox accounts to create efficiencies in their check collection processes. We also recently completed set up of an account structure for the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Pharmacy Rebate Program. The new account structure will enhance DHMH's tracking and reporting of an estimated \$145 million in annual pharmacy rebates from drug manufacturers.

Finally, as noted in past reports, we are continually working on standardizing our tracking, processing, and reconciliation of bank related transactions for the State's cash accounts in order to enhance our ability to change banks if required by market conditions or the procurement process.

INSURANCE DIVISION

The Insurance Division is responsible for administering the State's Insurance Program which is comprised of both commercial and self-insurance. Commercial insurance policies are procured to cover catastrophic property and liability losses, and other obligations derived from State contracts, statutes and regulations. Among the several exposures covered by commercial policies are State maintained toll bridges and tunnels, rail operations, assorted professional liability exposures and student athlete accidents. The State also self-insures a significant portion of its exposures and maintains the State Insurance Trust Fund to pay claims and the costs associated with handling those claims. Self-insurance coverage includes State-owned real and personal property, vehicles, and liability claims covered under the Maryland Tort Claims Act.

The Insurance Division is comprised of three units: Loss Prevention, Underwriting and Claims. The Division's goal is to provide statewide risk management through loss protection (Underwriting), loss control (Loss Prevention), and loss restoration (Claims).

Underwriting

The Insurance Division procures broker services for the purchase of commercial insurance to protect the State Insurance Trust Fund from catastrophic loss, to meet statutory or regulatory requirements and for compliance with agency contractual agreements. Underwriting highlights for the past six months include the following:

Members of the Underwriting Unit met with four State agencies in January, March, and April 2010: the Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) to discuss their operations, upcoming insurance renewal, and open claims; the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) to discuss owned and non-owned fine art coverage; the

Maryland Transportation Authority (MdTA) to discuss updating the values of their bridges and tunnels; and the Department of Human Resources (DHR) and the Department of Juvenile Services (DJS) to discuss Foster Parent liability coverage and claims procedures with the newly-awarded carrier.

The Underwriting Unit frequently addresses agencies' questions about commercial insurance coverage. In FY 2010, for example, the Underwriting Manager consulted with Maryland Public Television (MPT) about their insurance coverage; with Archives to discuss claims and further protection of their assets; and with the Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) to conduct a comprehensive review of their commercial insurance program. The most significant consultation however, occurred with the Maryland Port Administration (MPA) over several months in advance of the Ports America Chesapeake, Inc. contract award to operate Seagirt Marine Terminal, effective January 12, 2010. The Underwriting Manager worked closely with the MPA to determine the impact of the award on the commercial coverages procured for their operations and property. The resulting policy endorsements for both the crane and automobile policies generated pro-rated return premiums of over \$57,000. As part of this process, the Underwriting Manager reviewed the written agreement between MPA and PAC to evaluate the resulting revenue streams for the January 31, 2010 insurance renewal. As a result of this liability insurance analysis, the Unit **achieved an additional premium savings of over \$56,000.**

In March, the Underwriting Manager and the Director had a rare opportunity to meet with representatives of four insurance companies operating out of Bermuda. It was important to meet with these representatives as they are among the few carriers in the world that are willing to participate in railroad insurance at the levels of coverage required by the State. This offered the State an opportunity to highlight the State in advance of the July 2010 renewal for the Maryland Transit Administration.

The FY 2010 Excess Property coverage renewed on April 1, 2010. Four State-owned high hazard dams were added to the State's property inventory this year. Despite a value increase of 9%, the policy's **renewal rate (cost per \$100 of value) decreased by 9.5%, for a premium savings of \$46,052.**

The UMB Dental School professional liability coverage renewed in FY 2010 without an increase in rate. The premium went up solely because of the increase in the number of "visits" the school estimates for this year, partially stemming from the opening of a new 26- chair second location in June of 2009.

Loss Prevention

The aim of loss prevention is to help State agencies implement specific action plans and safety practices to mitigate their most frequent or severe preventable losses. To do this, on an annual basis, the Loss Prevention Manager conducts a review of numerous State agencies' claims and loss histories to identify problem areas and to help those with

high severity claims and/or frequency take corrective measures. After the Manager identifies agencies with above-average claims frequency and severity, the Manager meets with agency risk managers to discuss the findings and recommendations.

This year, the Loss Prevention Manager and Director met with the Maryland State Police (MSP) following a series of settlements of significant automobile property and liability claims emanating from the Eastern Shore. The Manager shared trend and loss data and received information about the action plans implemented by MSP to curtail the frequency and severity of these automobile losses. Currently, the Loss Prevention Manager is conducting a loss and trend analysis of claims for the State Highway Administration (SHA). The Manager and Director plan to meet with the risk managers of SHA this fiscal year to discuss these findings and to recommend action plans to reduce the causes of their most frequent and severe losses.

The Loss Prevention Manager also identifies, coordinates and oversees risk control service hours provided by our insurance brokers to the State agencies. This fiscal year's outreach activities have resulted in a dramatic increase in requests for loss control services. Thus far, State agencies and universities have requested services for infrared thermographic imaging, aerial infrared testing, and property inspections. Due to their popularity, the Loss Prevention Manager has prioritized the receipt of risk control services on the basis of the type and the severity of the exposure.

The infrared inspections, noted above, provide valuable information on the condition of equipment and roofing systems in State agency facilities. Thermographic imaging identifies loose connections that create heat that can be imaged to show the exact location of a defect. An infrared inspection of an electrical distribution system is designed to identify potential equipment failures before they happen so that appropriate action can be taken before costly repairs and downtime are incurred.

The University of Maryland Baltimore County, Maryland Stadium Authority (Oriole Stadium Park), Maryland Food Center Authority (Wholesale Produce Market), and Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Eastern Shore Hospital), and Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (Headquarters) are currently slated for testing this fiscal year.

The purpose of aerial infrared testing is to identify the location of moisture penetration of roofing systems before there are visible signs, structural damage or business interruption. With the results of this analysis, State agencies and Universities can significantly extend the life of roofing structures while reducing maintenance expenditures and potential property-related claims. Pending the availability of hours, aerial infrared testing may be coordinated for the University of Maryland College Park and Baltimore County, and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (Springfield Hospital Center).

In January 2010, an additional loss control service was offered and coordinated by the Loss Prevention Manager to assist the Maryland State Police Aviation Command

(MSPAC) to develop a Letter of Compliance to meet federal requirements. Previously, MSPAC had utilized loss control services to perform a comprehensive operational gap analysis and safety assessment of the MSPAC. These services were offered to assist the Aviation Command Unit to address some of the safety recommendations made by the National Transportation Safety Board.

In March 2010, the Loss Prevention Manager arranged for a property valuation (appraisal) of the Maryland State House in Annapolis. Given the design and construction of an historic building, it inevitably is vulnerable to damage, especially by fire, and more expensive to repair after damage has occurred. The valuation service is being conducted to assist the State in determining the historic replacement cost of the building. Once that has occurred, the Underwriting Unit in conjunction with our insurance brokers will work to ensure that appropriate levels of coverage and protection are provided for that significant historic asset.

Claims

The Insurance Division's Claims Unit investigates and resolves liability claims arising from services provided by the State under the Maryland Tort Claims Act, Md State Government Code Ann. §§12-101 *et seq.* The unit also handles claims for damage to State-owned property arising from sudden and accidental perils such as collision and comprehensive loss to autos, and from a number of other perils such as fire, hail, lightning, wind, etc. which causes damage to State structures, equipment, and contents.

Snowstorm claims

On average, the Claims Unit handles 4,000 claims annually. This year, the Claims Unit had to contend with a significant increase in road hazard and auto liability claims arising from the historic snowfall. For example, between the period January 1, 2009, through April 30, 2009, approximately 105 road hazard claims had been filed with the Treasurer's Office. During the same period in 2010 however, approximately 247 claims were filed. The change represents a 135% increase in claims filed. The Unit's road hazard team also responded to liability claims filed for property damage, particularly mailboxes, fences, and other appurtenant structures damaged by snow removal operations. The State Highway Administration's assistant attorneys general provided the claims adjusters with specific standards for handling mailbox claims. These standards, which are unique compared to the standards of other jurisdictions, enabled the adjusters to fairly and consistently adjust these claims.

In order to better serve the public during this period, a special letter of acknowledgement was sent to claimants filing road hazard and snow operations claims. The letter asked the claimants for their understanding and patience while the adjusters worked with State Highway Administration personnel who understandably had less time to devote to claim inquiries because of continuing snow removal and road repair operations. Despite the significant increase in claims, the majority of claimants received a

response within three weeks. This tremendous accomplishment is a result of the determination and dedication of the road hazard team, the support of the Unit's other claims adjusters, and the extraordinary support and customer service skills of the Division's administrative clerk.

Many State-owned structures were also damaged during the snowstorms. Fortunately, most State-owned structures were less vulnerable to the storms than structures in other areas in Maryland. The cost to the State and the affect on the State Insurance Trust Fund for State-owned property is not expected to reach the catastrophic levels seen in past natural disasters such as Hurricane Isabel in 2002.

Medicare Reporting

In August, 2009, the Division began developing protocols to comply with the legislation enacted by Congress in 2007, which required all insurers, including self-insurers, to report to the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) all bodily injury settlements and judgments paid to Medicare beneficiaries. Because of the challenge faced by CMS to fully implement the reporting process, the deadline for reporting of January 1, 2010, has been postponed to January 1, 2011. The postponement has not prevented the Division's efforts to complete the development and implementation of its reporting procedures. The adjusters handling bodily injury claims have received training on how to enter Medicare data into the Insurance Services Office's (ISO's) database. ISO is the Division's reporting agent to CMS. The adjusters have also been trained on the Division's internal reporting procedures. The Division will provide the attorneys in the Office of the Attorney General with information and forms necessary to comply with the law for claims paid from funds other than the State Insurance Trust Fund.

Insurance Fraud Prevention

Two claims adjusters identified and referred three claims that had indications of fraudulent activity to the Insurance Fraud Division of the Maryland Insurance Administration. These adjusters recognized irregularities in invoices that the claimants had submitted for payment. At this time, one of the three has resulted in felony charges against the claimant.

The Claims Unit has expanded its fraud recognition training by partnering with the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund which will share its training resources with the adjusters in areas such as forensics, medical providers and fraud rings. The training will provide the adjusters with a wider variety of methods and sources of information to detect and combat fraud.

DBM partnership

In March, 2006, the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), awarded a vehicle fleet maintenance contract to Automotive Resources International, Inc. (ARI). In addition to maintaining the State's fleet of passenger vehicles, trucks, and other heavy duty automobiles and equipment, ARI established the State's first Accident Management program. The program was primarily designed to receive auto accident reports from State drivers, to manage the vehicle's repair, and to track and contain repair costs. As an added benefit, however, ARI has provided the raw data generated from these activities to the Division's Loss Control Manager who uses the information to conduct trend analyses of the State agencies' accident frequency and severity.

The State Treasurer's Office is fully vested as a stakeholder in the program. The Office met to discuss the Division's continued participation in the development of the Request for Proposal's Accident Management component of the State's Fleet Maintenance contract. DBM officials welcomed the Insurance Division's participation and both agencies look forward to working together to improve the outcome of future proposals.

Tort Litigation

The Litigation Manager works closely with the Office of the Attorney General to proactively resolve these matters by investigating and evaluating cases, providing settlement authority or when necessary, by briefing the Insurance Review Committee on high dollar value settlements, and by attending settlement conferences and other court mandated activities. The Litigation Manager also works closely with the claims adjusters to provide feedback on investigations conducted by the adjuster. The Litigation Manager may also brief an adjuster on the status of certain litigation claims of interest.

Since FY06, the State Treasurer received 526 notices of suit. Of the cases closed, approximately 30% were settled; 55% were dismissed; judgments and defense verdicts accounted for 7% each.

Fiscal Year Case Served	Case Disposition					Total Served
	Settled	Dismissed	Judgment	Defense Verdict	Open	
FY06	28	67	10	8	3	116
FY07	21	68	6	7	4	106
FY08	33	51	6	9	16	115
FY09	31	29	7	4	29	100
FY10	10	8	1	1	69	89
Total Served as of May 11, 2010	123	223	30	29	121	526

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

The Information Technology Division (IT) provides a platform of integrated systems to support the State Treasurer's Office's operations. Over the past six months, the IT Division worked with the STO Divisions and our State agency clients to support many changes and upgrades.

The IT Division made numerous enhancements to the client screens and reporting. We worked with the Administration Division and expanded controls for Transmittal List number assignments, Insurance Subrogation Reserve and Accounts Receivable tracking. In addition, we consolidated multiple data entry screens to a single screen that now includes Unpresented and Undeliverable check data. These enhancements provided immediate benefit to Administration staff and were done in preparation for future R*STARS enhancements to include original check numbers when displaying the detail of checks reissued from the Undeliverable and Unpresented funds. The improvements for the Insurance Division included a modification to the Claim Entry system that requires Insurance to forward the claim to A/R whenever a subrogation reserve amount is entered. A related modification was made to Claim Entry system to provide a flag to serve as a placeholder for Pending Subrogations. The "Claims by Tickler Date" report was modified to include Tickler Comments that are related to the pending subrogations. These changes allow for better management of anticipated subrogation collections from third parties.

One of our many projects involved the IT Division, Banking Services Division and the General Accounting Division teaming up to streamline the setup of ACH vendor payments. The team recognized that it is efficient to make vendor payments via ACH to those vendors which would otherwise receive a high volume of check based payments. The Office programmed a new process to extract vendor data from GAD's daily vendor interface file and auto populate that data into the Banking ACH Authorization table on the STO i5 System. This new process eliminated the coping of GAD X-10 forms and the manual exchange of these paper records. The new process saves the banking staff data entry time, reduces data entry errors, saves paper and shortens the turnaround time, all of which results in less cost to the State.

The Division continued to process disbursements for Child Support, Retirement and Central Payroll. All three are making changes to their systems that take effect on July 1st. The IT Division has participated in numerous pre-conversion tests of files. All tests to date have been a success.

As part of our ongoing assistance to the Office we supported audit requests, website changes, software updates and firewall management. The Division provided documentation, procedures, answered questions regarding workflow and ran numerous queries and file extracts for the STO audit. We also updated the Bond Sale website for Debt Management's 2009 Third Series bond sale, and the Office PC's to Internet

Explorer 8 for better security and implemented new procedures related to application patching, to protect against new spyware/virus infection attacks. The Division expanded the firewall and its host-based Intrusion Detection and Prevention software, successfully upgraded the VPN software and implemented better formal log review process for VPN (remote access).

The IT Division is responsible for GAD, Child Support, Cares, Retirement, RAD and Central Payroll disbursements as well as hosting numerous applications that are critical to the Treasurer's Office. The Office recognizes the important role we serve and the importance to perform that service every day without interruption. Our goal is to be prepared for a disaster. To prepare for such an event the IT Division completed a Disaster Recovery (DR) Test on March 17th. The Office was able to replicate our existing system on the DR Vendor's System. The ADC was able to transmit the GAD Check and ACH files from March 12th to the DR System using secure FTP software. We successfully processed all the files and the totals matched the Friday, March 12th reports. We created the ACH file that is sent to M&T and printed a limited number of checks on our DR MICR printer that was stored at DR Vendor site. The test was a great success and will be executed annually.

DEBT MANAGEMENT DIVISION

Financing Activities - Ratings

In the last few months, Moody's and Fitch have recalibrated their municipal ratings to a global rating scale so that municipal ratings are aligned with the scales that assess the creditworthiness of other types of issuers. The original municipal scale represented a ranking of municipal credit quality based on "distance to distress" rather than default probability. This generally meant municipalities were stuck with lower ratings than corporate issuers despite what in many cases were stronger histories of repayment.

As a result of the recalibration, all issuers are assessed on the same criteria, and a rating means the same thing regardless of whether the issuer is a city, a sovereign nation, or a retail chain. Because of the recalibration to a global rating scale, Fitch and Moody's have moved up some municipal issuers one to two notches. Standard and Poor's has reported that they have been using a global rating scale over the past few years and, consequently, they have not participated in this recalibration although they are proposing to update their methodology and assumptions for rating state governments.

Even with these rating changes, only one additional state (Iowa) has joined Maryland and the six others that had AAA ratings from all three rating agencies prior to the recalibration. The states now are: Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Missouri, Utah and Iowa.

The State Treasurer's Office maintains frequent contact with the rating agencies and schedules conference calls with each of them prior to every bond sale, as we did on February 9, 2010 just prior to the sale of 2010 First Series General Obligation Bonds. Participating in the most recent conference call were the Treasurer, Comptroller, Secretary of Budget and Management, Director of the Bureau of Revenue Estimates and the Director of Policy Analysis for the General Assembly.

The rating agencies are generally uniform in their assessment of Maryland's credit. They cite Maryland's history of prudent, moderate debt and budget management, its protected Rainy Day Fund and other reserves, its Capital Debt Affordability and Spending Affordability processes, its 15-year G.O. bond terms and other strong evidence of prudent stewardship. However, they also note the serious financial challenges posed or exacerbated by the recession, including State revenue shortfalls, outstanding liabilities such as the public pension and retiree benefit obligation, and increased demand for public services. They are particularly concerned about how states (including Maryland) will manage in FY 2012 and 2013 without federal stimulus funds and about Maryland's significant structural budget deficit.

Standard and Poor's noted two of these challenges, the structural imbalance and the pension liability, in its February 18, 2010 report. Regarding the budget, they stated in their report, "Expectations are that Maryland will continue to face a structural imbalance for the next several years, and will have to find ways to balance operations while the economy recovers". They also note that "The state's unfunded pension liability has grown significantly in the past two fiscal years due to a combination of investment losses and the lack of fully funding the annual required contribution. In our view, if not addressed this would likely result in the continued weakening of the state's pension system, which at one point (before the recession) was considered adequately funded."

Questions arose during the 2010 Legislative Session on the prudence of using Rainy Day funds to bridge the budget gap. There have been ratings downgrades of governments who have used reserves without a plan to replenish the account and without a plan to resolve future structural deficits. It appears that until the State can project revenue growth, it is wise to maintain the reserve balance at 5% of revenues. Until then, the reserve balance is a hedge against any future revenue shortfalls during this recession. Again, Standard and Poor's clearly states, "Maryland has made a steady commitment to funding reserves, which we believe enhances its flexibility in the current economic environment."

The next conference call with the rating agencies is expected on June 29, 2010, prior to the sale of the 2010 Second Series General Obligation Bonds. In the meantime, the STO has provided the 90 Day Report and monthly revenue performance to the rating agencies.

Financings - General Obligation Bonds

Since our last report, there has been one general obligation bond sale on February 28, 2010. This sale had two series: \$400 million in taxable Build America Bonds (BABs) in the 2010 First Series A and \$195.3 million in the 2010 First Series B (Refunding Tax-Exempt bonds). The \$400 million of Build America Bonds generated \$11.2 million in present value interest savings in the 2019-2025 maturities compared to traditional tax-exempt bonds. Because of the scheduled expiration of the Build America program in December 2010 and the potential end-of-year rush to market by many issuers trying to get the 35% subsidy, the STO decided to issue BABs early in the calendar year. To achieve the maximum financial benefit, the 2010 First Series A has longer maturities. Debt service will be leveled out with a predominant issue of tax-exempt bonds in the shorter maturities in July 2010. The 2010 First Series Bonds were sold competitively.

At this time, the STO is structuring the July 2010 issue. Tentatively, the sizing will be approximately \$500 million comprised of \$45 million of Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCBs), \$4.5 million of Qualified Zone Academy bonds (QZABs), \$6.5 million of Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds (QECCBs), \$110 million of Build America Bonds and \$334 million of tax-exempt bonds. The QSCB, QZAB will be taxable bonds with a 100% direct interest subsidy from the US Treasury. The subsidy will be 70% and 35% respectively for QECCBs and BABs. The STO is also planning a retail component with first priority to Maryland citizens in this sale.

The STO encourages legislators and all interested persons to attend the competitive sales and/or the pricing calls for the negotiated sales. When the dates are set, the STO will notify the Legislature.

Leasing

The capital lease-financing program allows State agencies to acquire equipment and pay for those items over a three, five, or ten year time frame. Between December 15, 2009 and May 15, 2010, \$7,197,683 in capital equipment was leased by State agencies through the State Treasurer's Office.

The Treasurer's Office also finances Energy Performance leases in cooperation with the Department of General Services (DGS), providing funding for energy conservation at State facilities. The program finances significant up-front investments in conservation projects and the lease is paid for using the savings in operating costs. Energy leases in the amount of \$8,313,816 were financed between December 15, 2009 and May 15, 2010.

Status of the Annuity Bond Fund

Debt service on General Obligation Bonds is paid from the Annuity Bond Fund (ABF) and the primary source of revenue for this fund is real property tax receipts. In Fiscal Year 2011, it is projected that there are sufficient property tax receipts, surplus transfers from 2010 and bond premium to cover debt service without any general fund subsidies. However, if the real property tax rate continues at the current level of 11.2¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation and future debt is issued at the rates projected in the 2009 CDAC Report, subsidies of general funds will be necessary to support the debt service on General Obligation (GO) Bonds beginning as early as 2012 unless bond premium is able to close the gap.

CDAC Affordability Criteria

The Capital Debt Affordability Committee recommended a \$990 million conditional authorization of general obligation bonds in September 2009. At this meeting, the committee planned to reconvene in late December 2009 to reexamine the authorization after considering the following:

1. Board of Revenue Estimate's December revenue estimates.
2. Options to provide operating budget relief by transferring appropriate expenditures to the capital budget.
3. Debt service projections subsequent to the projected refunding and new money bond issuance this fall.
4. Possible extension of federal authorizations incorporated in the ARRA, such as school construction bonds and Build America Bonds.
5. Any other appropriate issues.

The Committee did meet on December 18, 2009 to consider these issues and circumstances. A recommendation was made to increase the original authorization, \$150 million for a revised total of \$1,140 million limit for new general obligation authorizations by the 2010 General Assembly to support the 2011 capital program.

The Committee discussion reflected its clear intent that the increased 2010 authorization and future year recommendations continue to be within the adopted affordability benchmarks of 8% debt service to revenues and 4% debt outstanding to personal income. The Committee recognizes that there are multiple authorization levels and patterns that would result in adherence to the benchmarks, depending on future levels of personal income and State revenue. The Committee's projections for future authorizations will reflect updated revenue and personal income projections and authorization levels to adhere to these affordability benchmarks.

As noted in the opening section of this Report, present revenue and market conditions continue to impact the operations and achievements of the State Treasurer's Office in many ways. The Treasurer appreciates the opportunity to provide this report to the Legislative Policy Committee on a regular schedule. If the Committee or its members would care to pursue further these or other STO developments, or any other aspects of the Treasurer's activities, please call the Treasurer at (410) 260-7160 or Chief Deputy Treasurer Bernadette T. Benik at (410) 260-7390.