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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Personnel - Telecommuting Pilot Program - Purchase of Home Office**
3 **Equipment**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Budget and Management to establish
5 policies and procedures to allow certain State employees to convert up to a
6 certain number of days of personal or annual leave to a cash payment to
7 purchase certain home office equipment under certain circumstances.

8 BY adding to
9 Article - State Personnel and Pensions
10 Section 2-804
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - State Personnel and Pensions**

16 2-804.

17 THE SECRETARY SHALL ESTABLISH POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO ALLOW AN
18 EMPLOYEE OF A PARTICIPATING AGENCY TO CONVERT UP TO 5 DAYS OF PERSONAL
19 OR ANNUAL LEAVE TO A CASH PAYMENT IF:

20 (1) THE EMPLOYEE IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE AGENCY'S
21 TELECOMMUTING PROGRAM; AND

22 (2) THE CASH PAYMENT WILL BE USED TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT
23 NEEDED TO SET UP A HOME OFFICE TO ENABLE THE EMPLOYEE TO PARTICIPATE IN
24 THE AGENCY'S TELECOMMUTING PROGRAM.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
26 October 1, 1999.