
By: **Senator Bromwell**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Tourism Development - Appropriations**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the minimum amount the Governor is required to
4 include in the State budget for certain fiscal years for the Maryland Tourism
5 Development Fund; increasing the minimum amount the Governor is required
6 to include in the annual State budget for certain fiscal years for the Office of
7 Tourism Development; and generally relating to appropriations for tourism
8 development.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development
11 Section 4-208
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

16 **Article 83A - Department of Business and Economic Development**

17 4-208.

18 (a) There is a Maryland Tourism Development Board Fund.

19 (b) The Fund is established to provide a continuing fund for the Board to fund
20 programs relating to the planning, advertising, promotion, assistance, and
21 development of the tourism industry in the State.

22 (c) The Fund is a special, continuous, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to §
23 7-302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

24 (d) The Treasurer shall invest and reinvest the Fund in the same manner as
25 other State funds and credit any investment earnings to the General Fund.

26 (e) The Fund consists of:

1 (1) Moneys appropriated in the State budget to the Fund; and

2 (2) All funds accepted by the Board in accordance with § 4-206 of this
3 subtitle.

4 (f) Expenditures from the Fund may be made only by the Board in accordance
5 with an appropriation.

6 (g) (1) In this subsection, "Governor's proposed General Fund
7 appropriation" means the General Fund appropriation included by the Governor in
8 the annual budget bill as submitted to the General Assembly, including any proposed
9 supplemental budget, before any amendment by the General Assembly.

10 (2) The Governor shall include in the annual budget bill a proposed
11 General Fund appropriation to the Fund in an amount not less than:

12 [(i) \$4,000,000, for fiscal year 1999;

13 (ii) \$5,000,000, for fiscal year 2000; and]

14 [(iii) (I) \$6,000,000, for fiscal year 2001 [and subsequent fiscal
15 years.];

16 (II) \$7,500,000, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002;

17 (III) \$9,000,000, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003;

18 (IV) \$10,500,000, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004;

19 (V) \$12,000,000, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005; AND

20 (VI) \$13,500,000, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006 AND SUBSEQUENT FISCAL
21 YEARS.

22 (3) (I) For each fiscal year, in addition to any appropriation for
23 tourism marketing from the Maryland Tourism Development Board Fund, the
24 Governor shall include in the annual budget bill submitted to the General Assembly a
25 General Fund appropriation for the Office of Tourism Development in an amount not
26 less than [the amount of the Governor's proposed General Fund appropriation for the
27 Office of Tourism Development for fiscal year 1995.]:

28 1. \$6,480,050, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001;

29 2. \$7,480,050, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002;

30 3. \$8,480,050, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003;

31 4. \$9,480,050, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004;

32 5. \$10,480,050, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005; AND

