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**ENROLLED BILL**

-- *Economic and Environmental Affairs/Environmental Matters* --

Introduced by **Senator Collins**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_ M.

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President.

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Aging - Innovations in Aging Services Program**

3 FOR the purpose of creating an Innovations in Aging Services Program in the  
4 Department of Aging; providing for the purposes of the Program; defining  
5 certain terms; creating the Innovations in Aging Services Advisory Council in  
6 the Department and providing for the appointment, organization, and terms of  
7 its members; requiring the Secretary of the Department of Aging to develop a  
8 plan for funding grants under the Program; *authorizing the Secretary to accept*  
9 *moneys provided by certain sources to fund grants awarded*; providing for the  
10 evaluation of grants funded under the Program; requiring that the Secretary  
11 adopt regulations; requiring that the Secretary appoint initial members to the  
12 Advisory Council by a certain date; and generally relating to the Innovations in  
13 Aging Services Program and the Innovations in Aging Services Advisory  
14 Council.

15 BY adding to

16 Article 70B - Department of Aging

1 Section 36  
2 Annotated Code of Maryland  
3 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

4 Preamble

5 WHEREAS, The aging of Maryland's population will present policymakers with  
6 a number of challenges over the next 20 years; and

7 WHEREAS, There is a need to design and test innovative ideas in programs and  
8 services for older Marylanders, to publicly disseminate the results of the tests, to  
9 replicate such programs and services, and to help meet the needs for trained  
10 personnel delivering services for Maryland's elderly; now, therefore,

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

13 **Article 70B - Department of Aging**

14 36.

15 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS  
16 INDICATED.

17 (2) "COUNCIL" MEANS THE INNOVATIONS IN AGING SERVICES ADVISORY  
18 COUNCIL ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION.

19 (3) "PROGRAM" MEANS THE INNOVATIONS IN AGING SERVICES  
20 PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION.

21 (B) THERE IS AN INNOVATIONS IN AGING SERVICES PROGRAM IN THE  
22 DEPARTMENT.

23 (C) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE COMPETITIVE FUNDING  
24 GRANTS TO DESIGN AND TEST INNOVATIVE IDEAS IN PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR  
25 OLDER INDIVIDUALS, PUBLICLY DISSEMINATE THE RESULTS OF THE TESTS, AND  
26 HELP MEET THE NEED FOR TRAINED PERSONNEL PROVIDING SERVICES FOR  
27 MARYLAND'S SENIOR POPULATION.

28 (D) (1) THERE IS AN INNOVATIONS IN AGING SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL  
29 IN THE DEPARTMENT.

30 (2) THE COUNCIL IS A 14-MEMBER COUNCIL.

31 (3) IN ADDITION TO THE SECRETARY, THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL  
32 INCLUDE:

33 (I) NINE MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE SECRETARY AS FOLLOWS:

- 1                                   1.       FIVE REPRESENTATIVES FROM ORGANIZATIONS  
2 PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE ELDERLY;
- 3                                   2.       TWO MEMBERS REPRESENTING SENIOR CONSUMERS OF  
4 AGING SERVICES;
- 5                                   3.       AN AREA AGENCY ON AGING DIRECTOR; AND
- 6                                   4.       A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND.
- 7                                   (II)     THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MARYLAND COMMISSION ON AGING OR  
8 THE CHAIRMAN'S DESIGNEE;
- 9                                   (III)    THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND  
10 MENTAL HYGIENE OR HIS DESIGNEE;
- 11                                  (IV)     ONE MEMBER OF THE STATE SENATE APPOINTED BY THE  
12 PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; AND
- 13                                  (V)     ONE MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES APPOINTED BY  
14 THE SPEAKER.
- 15                                  (4)     THE SECRETARY SHALL SERVE AS CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL.
- 16                                  (5)     THE TERM OF A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL IS 4 YEARS.
- 17                                  (6)     THE TERMS OF THE COUNCIL MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE  
18 SECRETARY ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY THE TERMS IN EFFECT FOR MEMBERS  
19 OF THE COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 1, 2001.
- 20                                  (7)     AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE UNTIL A  
21 SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.
- 22                                  (8)     A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED AFTER A TERM BEGINS SERVES ONLY  
23 FOR THE REST OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND  
24 QUALIFIES.
- 25                                  (E)     (1)     WITH THE ADVICE OF THE COUNCIL, THE SECRETARY SHALL  
26 DEVELOP AN INNOVATIONS IN AGING SERVICES PROGRAM PLAN ANNUALLY AND  
27 SUBMIT IT TO THE GOVERNOR AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR APPROVAL AS PART OF  
28 THE ANNUAL BUDGET.
- 29                                  (2)     THE PLAN SHALL SET FORTH A SERIES OF PRIORITIES FOR FUNDING  
30 GRANTS FOR INNOVATIVE AGING SERVICES AND FOR TRAINING PERSONNEL  
31 PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE ELDERLY IN THE STATE.
- 32                                  (3)     THE PLAN SHALL INCLUDE PROVISIONS FOR EVALUATING ANY  
33 PROGRAM FUNDED UNDER THE PLAN.
- 34                                  (F)     THE SECRETARY SHALL SOLICIT GRANT PROPOSALS TO IMPLEMENT THE  
35 PROGRAM PRIORITIES APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

1 (G) WITH THE ADVICE OF THE COUNCIL, THE SECRETARY SHALL APPROVE  
2 THE AWARD OF GRANTS FUNDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROGRAM PRIORITIES  
3 APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

4 (H) THE SECRETARY SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE EVALUATION OF PROGRAMS  
5 FUNDED BY THE GRANTS BY RECOGNIZED AUTHORITIES IN THE FIELD OF AGING  
6 SERVICES.

7 (I) THE SECRETARY MAY ACCEPT MONEYS PROVIDED BY OTHER PUBLIC AND  
8 PRIVATE SOURCES TO FUND GRANTS AWARDED UNDER THIS SECTION.

9 ~~(H)~~ (J) THE SECRETARY SHALL REPORT ANNUALLY TO THE GOVERNOR AND,  
10 SUBJECT TO § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL  
11 ASSEMBLY ON THE EVALUATIONS OF PROGRAMS FUNDED UNDER THIS SECTION.

12 ~~(H)~~ (K) THE SECRETARY SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTING THIS  
13 SECTION.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before November 1,  
15 2001, the Secretary of Aging shall appoint the initial members of the Innovations in  
16 Aging Services Advisory Council created under this Act who are to be appointed by  
17 the Secretary.

18 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the terms of the members  
19 of the Innovations in Aging Services Advisory Council who are appointed by the  
20 Secretary on or before November 1, 2001, shall end as follows:

21 (1) two on September 30, 2002;

22 (2) two on September 30, 2003;

23 (3) two on September 30, 2004; and

24 (4) three on September 30, 2005.

25 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
26 October 1, 2001.