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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Government Reports to General Assembly - Requirement of Electronic**  
3 **Submission**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring each official or unit of the State government to submit  
5 or distribute certain reports and other publications to the General Assembly  
6 using only electronic means; exempting certain reports and other publications  
7 from this Act; and generally relating to the submission and distribution of  
8 reports and other publications to the General Assembly.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
10 Article - State Government  
11 Section 2-1246(a)  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2004 Replacement Volume)

14 BY adding to  
15 Article - State Government  
16 Section 2-1246.1  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2004 Replacement Volume)

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

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**Article - State Government**

2 2-1246.

3 (a) Each official or unit of the State government shall submit to the  
4 Department a list of the reports and other publications that the official or unit issues  
5 and intends to distribute or submit to the General Assembly or to any committee, staff  
6 agency, or employee of the General Assembly.

7 2-1246.1

8 (A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO REPORTS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS  
9 THAT:

10 (1) ARE REQUIRED BY STATUTE OR REGULATION TO BE DISTRIBUTED  
11 OR SUBMITTED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY; OR

12 (2) ARE PAID FOR WHOLLY BY PRIVATE FUNDS.

13 (B) EACH OFFICIAL OR UNIT OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT THAT ISSUES AND  
14 INTENDS TO DISTRIBUTE OR SUBMIT REPORTS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS TO THE  
15 GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL DISTRIBUTE OR SUBMIT EACH REPORT OR PUBLICATION  
16 USING ONLY ELECTRONIC MEANS.

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
18 October 1, 2005.