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CHAPTER _____

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 that
5 intends to submit or distribute certain reports and other publications to the
6 General Assembly to distribute or submit the report or publication to the
7 Department of Legislative Services and the State Archives using only electronic
8 means; exempting certain reports and other publications from this Act; and
9 generally relating to the submission and distribution of reports and other
10 publications to the General Assembly.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
12 Article - State Government
13 Section 2-1246(a)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2004 Replacement Volume)

16 BY adding to
17 Article - State Government
18 Section 2-1246.1
19 Annotated Code of Maryland

1 (2004 Replacement Volume)

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

4 **Article - State Government**

5 2-1246.

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

10 2-1246.1

11 (A) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO REPORTS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS
12 THAT:

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

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

16 (B) EACH OFFICIAL OR UNIT OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT THAT ISSUES AND
17 INTENDS TO DISTRIBUTE OR SUBMIT REPORTS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS TO THE
18 GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL DISTRIBUTE OR SUBMIT EACH REPORT OR PUBLICATION
19 USING ONLY ELECTRONIC MEANS TO:

20 (1) THE DEPARTMENT; AND

21 (2) THE MARYLAND STATE ARCHIVES.

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