

# HOUSE BILL 843

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Assigned to: Appropriations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **General Assembly – Reduction in Budget Appropriations for Repeat**  
3 **Legislative Audit Findings**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the General Assembly, under certain circumstances, to  
5 reduce certain budget appropriations by a certain percentage until a certain  
6 unit report to the Office of Legislative Audits and the Office makes a certain  
7 determination; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the reduction  
8 in budget appropriations by the General Assembly for repeat legislative audit  
9 findings.

10 BY renumbering

11 Article – State Government  
12 Section 2–1506  
13 to be Section 2–1506.1  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

16 BY adding to

17 Article – State Government  
18 Section 2–1506  
19 Annotated Code of Maryland  
20 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

21 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
22 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 2–1506 of Article – State Government of the Annotated  
23 Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 2–1506.1.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland  
25 read as follows:

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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## Article – State Government

2 **2-1506.**

3           **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “UNIT” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 2-1220 OF**  
4 **THIS TITLE.**

5           **(B) IF A REPORT ISSUED BY THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS**  
6 **UNDER § 2-1224 OF THIS TITLE CONTAINS THREE OR MORE REPEAT FINDINGS,**  
7 **THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL REDUCE THE AMOUNT INCLUDED IN THE**  
8 **BUDGET BILL SUBMITTED BY THE GOVERNOR IN JANUARY EACH YEAR FOR THE**  
9 **UNIT THAT WAS THE SUBJECT OF THE REPORT BY UP TO 5% EACH FISCAL YEAR**  
10 **UNTIL THE UNIT REPORTS TO THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS AND THE**  
11 **OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS DETERMINES THAT THE UNIT HAS**  
12 **SATISFACTORILY ADDRESSED THE REPEAT FINDINGS.**

13           **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect**  
14 **October 1, 2012.**