

# HOUSE BILL 931

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Planning – State Development Plan – Approval by the General**  
3 **Assembly**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Planning to submit a State  
5 Development Plan to the General Assembly; prohibiting a certain Plan from  
6 being finalized until the Plan is approved by an Act of the General Assembly;  
7 requiring the Governor to file with the Secretary of State the Plan, part of the  
8 Plan, or a revision to the Plan, together with any comments made by the  
9 Governor after enactment of a law that approves the Plan; providing that,  
10 unless the Plan in existence on a certain date is modified or approved by an Act  
11 of the General Assembly on or before a certain date, the Plan may not have any  
12 force or effect; and generally relating to the approval of the State Development  
13 Plan by the General Assembly.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
15 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
16 Section 5–601  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

19 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
20 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
21 Section 5–605  
22 Annotated Code of Maryland  
23 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

2 5–601.

3 In this subtitle, “Plan” means the State Development Plan.

4 5–605.

5 (a) On completion, the Secretary shall send to the Governor **AND THE**  
6 **GENERAL ASSEMBLY** the Plan, any substantial part of the Plan, or any revision to  
7 the Plan.8 (b) **THE PLAN MAY NOT BE FINALIZED UNTIL APPROVED BY AN ACT OF**  
9 **THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**10 (c) **[The] AFTER ENACTMENT OF A LAW APPROVING OR MODIFYING THE**  
11 **PLAN, THE** Governor shall file with the Secretary of State the Plan, part of the Plan,  
12 or revision to the Plan, together with any comments made by the Governor, and, in  
13 that event:14 (1) the Department shall make copies of the material filed available  
15 for general distribution or sale; and

16 (2) the Governor shall send copies of the material filed:

17 (i) to the head of each unit of the State government; and

18 (ii) subject to § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, to the  
19 General Assembly.20 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED,** That, unless the State  
21 Development Plan in existence on January 1, 2012, is modified or approved by an Act  
22 of the General Assembly on or before June 30, 2012, the State Development Plan may  
23 not have any force or effect.24 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED,** That this Act shall take effect  
25 June 1, 2012.