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By: Senators Pipkin and Manno

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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning
2 3	General Assembly – Reduction in Budget Appropriations for Repeat Legislative Audit Findings
4 5 6 7 8 9	FOR the purpose of requiring the General Assembly, under certain circumstances, to reduce certain budget appropriations by a certain percentage until a certain unit report to the Office of Legislative Audits and the Office makes a certain determination; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the reduction in budget appropriations by the General Assembly for repeat legislative audit findings.
10 11 12 13 14 15	BY renumbering Article – State Government Section 2–1506 to be Section 2–1506.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)
16 17 18 19 20	BY adding to Article – State Government Section 2–1506 Annotated Code of Maryland (2009 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)
21 22 23	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section(s) 2–1506 of Article – State Government of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 2–1506.1.
$\begin{array}{c} 24 \\ 25 \end{array}$	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
26	Article - State Government

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **2–1506.**

- 2 (a) In this section, "unit" has the meaning stated in § 2–1220 of 3 this title.
- 4 IF A REPORT ISSUED BY THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS UNDER § 2-1224 OF THIS TITLE CONTAINS THREE OR MORE REPEAT FINDINGS, 5 THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL REDUCE THE AMOUNT INCLUDED IN THE 6 7 BUDGET BILL SUBMITTED BY THE GOVERNOR IN JANUARY EACH YEAR FOR THE UNIT THAT WAS THE SUBJECT OF THE REPORT BY UP TO 5% EACH FISCAL YEAR 8 UNTIL THE UNIT REPORTS TO THE OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS AND THE 9 OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITS DETERMINES THAT THE UNIT HAS 10 11 SATISFACTORILY ADDRESSED THE REPEAT FINDINGS.
- SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2012.