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BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 839
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike line 2 in its entirety and substitute “Workgroup on Categories for Funding Priorities in the Annual State Budget”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 3 down through “bill” in line 9 and substitute “establishing a Workgroup on Categories for Funding Priorities in the Annual State Budget; establishing the membership of the Workgroup; specifying the purpose of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to make findings and recommendations and submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Workgroup on Categories for Funding Priorities in the Annual State Budget”; strike in their entirety lines 10 through 14, inclusive; and in line 16, strike “the Laws of Maryland read as follows”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 through 3, strike beginning with line 17 on page 1 through line 29 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

“(a) There is a Workgroup on Categories for Funding Priorities in the Annual State Budget.

(b) The Workgroup consists of representatives from:

(1) the Department of Budget and Management, designated by the Secretary of the Department;

(2) the Office of the Comptroller, designated by the Comptroller; and

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(3) the Department of Legislative Services, designated by the Executive Director of the Department.

(c) The Department of Budget and Management shall convene the Workgroup to study, evaluate, and make recommendations concerning budgeting models used by state or local governments in the United States that utilize well-defined service categories to set budget funding priorities and then allocate budget resources based on the categories of funding priorities established.

(d) The Workgroup may:

(1) hold public hearings and receive testimony from the public and other interested parties; and

(2) retain the services of consultants as it determines.

(e) The Department of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller, and the Department of Legislative Services jointly shall provide staff for the Workgroup.

(f) On or before December 31, 2017, the Workgroup shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, in line 2, after “2017.” insert “It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 1 month and, at the end of June 30, 2018, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.