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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Grant Applications and Reporting – Uniform Forms and Requirements**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Efficient Grant Application Council;
4 providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Council; establishing the
5 terms of certain members of the Council; prohibiting a member of the Council from
6 receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain
7 expenses; requiring the Council to advise the Governor’s Grants Office and the ~~Board~~
8 ~~of Public Works~~ Department of Budget and Management regarding certain matters;
9 requiring the Council to monitor and report on certain matters; requiring the Council
10 to study and make recommendations to the Governor’s Grants Office and the ~~Board~~
11 Department regarding the grants life cycle, including the creation of certain
12 materials for use by certain grant-making agencies, grant applicants, and grant
13 recipients, certain regulations, and certain recommended timelines and deadlines;
14 requiring the Council to solicit the input of certain stakeholders and ~~authorizing the~~
15 ~~Council to~~ establish certain working groups; ~~requiring the Board to adopt by~~
16 ~~regulation a certain uniform grant application form, uniform financial controls and~~
17 ~~reporting requirements, and uniform performance progress reporting requirements~~
18 ~~on or before a certain date; requiring the uniform grant application form, uniform~~
19 ~~financial controls and reporting requirements, and uniform progress reporting~~
20 ~~requirements to be based on recommendations of the Council and, to the greatest~~
21 ~~extent practicable, be consistent with certain federal guidance and related forms;~~
22 ~~requiring the Board to adopt certain portions of a certain guidance on or before~~
23 ~~certain dates; requiring a certain agency that awards certain grant funds to~~
24 ~~administer grants in a certain manner on or after a certain date; authorizing a~~

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



~~certain agency to apply for an exception to a certain requirement under certain circumstances; requiring the Board, in consultation with the Council and the Governor's Grants Office, to adopt regulations governing the consideration and approval of certain requests~~ Council to submit a certain report to the Department and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring a certain State agency to appoint a certain Chief Accountability Officer on or before a certain date; requiring the Governor's Grants Office to provide technical assistance and interpretations of policy requirements for certain purposes; providing that the provisions of this Act and any regulations adopted under this Act supersede certain conflicting regulations; defining a certain term certain terms; requiring the Board and the Governor's Grants Office to jointly Department to report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date certain dates; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Council; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the development and adoption of a uniform grant application form, uniform financial controls and reporting requirements, and uniform progress reporting requirements.

BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 2–209 and 2–210

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

Article – State Finance and Procurement

2–209.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, “COUNCIL” MEANS THE MARYLAND EFFICIENT GRANT APPLICATION COUNCIL.

(B) THERE IS A MARYLAND EFFICIENT GRANT APPLICATION COUNCIL.

(C) (1) THE COUNCIL CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

(I) THE DIRECTOR OF THE GOVERNOR’S GRANTS OFFICE OR THE DIRECTOR’S DESIGNEE;

(II) THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER OR THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER’S DESIGNEE;

(III) THE STATE TREASURER OR THE STATE TREASURER’S DESIGNEE;

1 (IV) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S
2 DESIGNEE;

3 (V) THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT OR THE
4 SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;

5 (VI) THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH OR THE SECRETARY'S
6 DESIGNEE;

7 (VII) THE SECRETARY OF HUMAN SERVICES OR THE
8 SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;

9 (VIII) THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
10 DEVELOPMENT OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;

11 (IX) THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE, OR THE SECRETARY'S
12 DESIGNEE;

13 (X) THE SECRETARY OF THE ENVIRONMENT, OR THE
14 SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;

15 (XI) THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, OR THE STATE
16 SUPERINTENDENT'S DESIGNEE;

17 (XII) THE DIRECTOR OF THE MARYLAND ENERGY
18 ADMINISTRATION, OR THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE;

19 ~~(IX)~~ (XIII) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE GOVERNOR'S
20 OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION OR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S
21 DESIGNEE;

22 ~~(X) ONE MEMBER OF THE SENATE, APPOINTED BY THE~~
23 ~~PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE;~~

24 ~~(XI) ONE MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, APPOINTED~~
25 ~~BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE; AND~~

26 (XIV) THE CHAIR OF THE MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION
27 COMMISSION, OR THE CHAIR'S DESIGNEE;

28 (XV) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION
29 OF COUNTIES;

1 (XVI) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MARYLAND MUNICIPAL
2 LEAGUE;

3 ~~(XII)~~ (XVII) FOUR FIVE REPRESENTATIVES OF PRIVATE
4 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WITH EXPERIENCE PROVIDING SERVICES FUNDED BY
5 STATE OR FEDERAL GRANTS AND THAT REFLECT THE SIZE AND DIVERSITY OF THE
6 NONPROFIT GRANT RECIPIENTS IN THE STATE, APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR;

7 (XVIII) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A PRIVATE NONPROFIT
8 ORGANIZATION, APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; AND

9 (XIX) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A PRIVATE NONPROFIT
10 ORGANIZATION, APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

11 (2) (I) THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES TO MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL
12 APPOINTED UNDER PARAGRAPH ~~(1)(XII)~~ (1)(XVII) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

13 (II) THE TERM OF A MEMBER IS 4 YEARS.

14 (III) THE TERMS OF MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY
15 THE TERMS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ON JULY 1, 2020.

16 (IV) AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE
17 UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.

18 (V) A MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED AFTER A TERM HAS BEGUN
19 SERVES ONLY FOR THE REST OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED
20 AND QUALIFIES.

21 (VI) THE GOVERNOR MAY REMOVE A MEMBER FOR NEGLECT OF
22 DUTY, INCOMPETENCE, OR MISCONDUCT.

23 (D) THE DIRECTOR OF THE GOVERNOR'S GRANTS OFFICE OR THE
24 DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE SHALL SERVE AS CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL.

25 (E) THE STAFFING RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNCIL SHALL BE SHARED
26 BY THE AGENCIES REPRESENTED ON THE COUNCIL.

27 (F) A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL:

28 (1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION AS A MEMBER OF THE
29 COUNCIL; BUT

1 (2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE
2 STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

3 (G) THE COUNCIL SHALL:

4 (1) ADVISE THE GOVERNOR'S GRANTS OFFICE AND THE ~~BOARD OF~~
5 ~~PUBLIC WORKS~~ DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT ON THE
6 IMPLEMENTATION OF ~~§ 2-110~~ 2-210 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

7 (2) MONITOR AND REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR'S GRANTS OFFICE
8 AND THE ~~BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS~~ DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT
9 ON THE STATE'S PROGRESS TOWARD IMPLEMENTING ~~§ 2-110~~ 2-210 OF THIS
10 SUBTITLE.

11 2-210.

12 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
13 INDICATED.

14 ~~(2) "BOARD" MEANS THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.~~

15 ~~(3)~~ (2) "COUNCIL" MEANS THE MARYLAND EFFICIENT GRANT
16 APPLICATION COUNCIL ESTABLISHED UNDER § 2-209 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

17 (3) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND
18 MANAGEMENT.

19 (4) (I) "GRANT" MEANS A LEGAL INSTRUMENT OF FINANCIAL
20 ASSISTANCE BETWEEN A STATE GRANT-MAKING ENTITY AND A NON-STATE ENTITY
21 THAT IS:

22 1. USED TO ENTER INTO A RELATIONSHIP THE
23 PRINCIPAL PURPOSE OF WHICH IS TO TRANSFER ANYTHING OF VALUE FROM THE
24 GRANT-MAKING ENTITY TO THE GRANT RECIPIENT TO CARRY OUT A PUBLIC
25 PURPOSE AUTHORIZED BY LAW AND NOT TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY OR SERVICES FOR
26 THE DIRECT BENEFIT OR USE OF THE GRANT-MAKING ENTITY; AND

27 2. DISTINGUISHED FROM A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
28 IN THAT IT DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR SUBSTANTIAL INVOLVEMENT BETWEEN THE
29 GRANT-MAKING ENTITY AND THE GRANT RECIPIENT IN CARRYING OUT THE
30 ACTIVITY CONTEMPLATED BY THE AWARD.

31 (II) "GRANT" DOES NOT INCLUDE AN INSTRUMENT THAT
32 PROVIDES ONLY:

1 **1. DIRECT GOVERNMENT CASH ASSISTANCE TO AN**
 2 **INDIVIDUAL;**

3 **2. A SUBSIDY;**

4 **3. A LOAN;**

5 **4. A LOAN GUARANTEE;**

6 **5. INSURANCE;**

7 **6. GRANTS MADE BY THE STATE HIGHER EDUCATION**
 8 **SYSTEM, THE CAPITAL BUDGET, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, OR THE**
 9 **MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION;**

10 **7. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT GRANTS MADE BY THE**
 11 **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; OR**

12 **8. ANY STATE FUNDING THAT IS REQUIRED ANNUALLY**
 13 **AND IS CALCULATED THROUGH A FORMULA SET IN STATUTE.**

14 **~~(4)~~ (5) “GRANT APPLICATION FORM” MEANS A GRANT**
 15 **APPLICATION TEMPLATE AND RELATED MATERIALS REQUIRED TO BE SUBMITTED**
 16 **BY GRANT APPLICANTS, INCLUDING:**

17 **(I) REQUIRED ORGANIZATIONAL MATERIALS; AND**

18 **(II) PROPOSED BUDGET CATEGORIES AND LINE ITEMS.**

19 **~~(5)~~ (6) “UNIFORM GUIDANCE” MEANS THE OFFICE OF**
 20 **MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST**
 21 **PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS, 2 C.F.R. PART**
 22 **200.**

23 **(B) (1) ~~THE~~ IN ORDER TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY, STREAMLINE AND**
 24 **REDUCE REDUNDANT PROCESSES, REDUCE PAPERWORK AND ADMINISTRATIVE**
 25 **BURDENS ON BOTH GRANTING AGENCIES AND GRANT RECIPIENTS, AND FACILITATE**
 26 **DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A STATEWIDE CENTRALIZED GRANTS**
 27 **MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM, THE COUNCIL SHALL STUDY AND**
 28 **MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR’S GRANTS OFFICE AND THE ~~BOARD~~**
 29 **DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE ENTIRE GRANTS LIFE CYCLE, INCLUDING;**

1 **(I) THE CREATION OF THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS FOR USE BY**
2 **GRANT-MAKING AGENCIES, GRANT APPLICANTS, AND GRANT RECIPIENTS IN THE**
3 **STATE:**

4 ~~(I)~~ **1. A UNIFORM GRANT APPLICATION FORM;**

5 ~~(II)~~ **2. UNIFORM FINANCIAL CONTROLS AND REPORTING**
6 **REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT RECIPIENTS; AND**

7 ~~(III)~~ **3. UNIFORM PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORTING**
8 **REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT RECIPIENTS;**

9 **(II) REGULATIONS ADOPTING EACH PART OF THE UNIFORM**
10 **GUIDANCE, WITH APPROPRIATE MODIFICATIONS FOR ITS APPLICATION TO**
11 **GRANT-MAKING ENTITIES IN THE STATE, INCLUDING MODIFICATIONS OR**
12 **VARIANCES BASED ON THE SCOPE OR SIZE OF PARTICULAR GRANT PROGRAMS,**
13 **GRANT-MAKING ENTITIES, OR GRANTEES;**

14 **(III) RECOMMENDED TIMEFRAMES AND DEADLINES FOR THE**
15 **VARIOUS TASKS INCLUDED IN ITEMS (I) AND (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH;**

16 **(IV) RECOMMENDED DEADLINES FOR USE AND**
17 **IMPLEMENTATION BY THE VARIOUS GRANT-MAKING ENTITIES OF THE MATERIALS**
18 **PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITEM (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH; AND**

19 **(V) RECOMMENDED DEADLINES FOR GRANT-MAKING ENTITIES**
20 **TO ADMINISTER STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE**
21 **PROVISIONS OF PARTS OF UNIFORM GUIDANCE AS ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT**
22 **BY REGULATION.**

23 **(2) IN DEVELOPING MATERIALS AND RECOMMENDATIONS UNDER**
24 **THIS SUBSECTION, THE COUNCIL SHALL:**

25 **(I) ~~SHALL~~ SOLICIT THE INPUT OF DIVERSE STAKEHOLDERS,**
26 **INCLUDING GRANT-MAKING AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTING LOCAL**
27 **GOVERNMENTS, GRANT PROFESSIONALS, EXPERTS IN NONPROFIT ACCOUNTING**
28 **AND AUDITING, AND NONPROFIT SERVICE PROVIDERS; AND**

29 **(II) ~~MAY~~ ESTABLISH ONE OR MORE ~~STAKEHOLDER~~ ISSUE**
30 **WORKING GROUPS TO, COMPOSED OF STAKEHOLDERS REPRESENTING DIVERSE**
31 **BACKGROUNDS APPROPRIATE TO THE CHARGE OF EACH WORKGROUP, AND ALSO**
32 **REFLECTING THE DEMOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY OF THE STATE AND THE DIVERSITY OF**
33 **GRANT PROGRAMS AND GRANT RECIPIENTS, INCLUDING ARTS, HISTORY, AND**

1 SOCIAL SERVICE, TO PARTICIPATE IN AND FACILITATE THE PROCESS OF
2 DEVELOPING RECOMMENDATIONS.

3 ~~(C) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, ON OR~~
4 ~~BEFORE JULY 1, 2021, THE BOARD SHALL, BY REGULATION, ADOPT:~~

5 ~~(I) A UNIFORM GRANT APPLICATION FORM;~~

6 ~~(II) UNIFORM FINANCIAL CONTROLS AND REPORTING~~
7 ~~REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT RECIPIENTS; AND~~

8 ~~(III) UNIFORM PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORTING~~
9 ~~REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT RECIPIENTS.~~

10 ~~(2) THE UNIFORM GRANT APPLICATION FORM, UNIFORM FINANCIAL~~
11 ~~CONTROLS AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AND UNIFORM PERFORMANCE~~
12 ~~PROGRESS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL:~~

13 ~~(I) BE BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COUNCIL~~
14 ~~DEVELOPED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION; AND~~

15 ~~(II) TO THE GREATEST EXTENT PRACTICABLE, BE CONSISTENT~~
16 ~~WITH THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE AND RELATED FORMS ADOPTED BY THE OFFICE OF~~
17 ~~MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET.~~

18 ~~(D) (1) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2022, THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT~~
19 ~~REGULATIONS THAT ADOPT PARTS A THROUGH E OF THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE FOR~~
20 ~~ALL STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES THAT AWARD STATE OR FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS.~~

21 ~~(2) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2024, THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT~~
22 ~~REGULATIONS THAT ADOPT THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE IN ITS ENTIRETY FOR ALL~~
23 ~~STATE AND LOCAL AGENCIES THAT AWARD STATE OR FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS.~~

24 ~~(E) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION,~~
25 ~~ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2022, ANY STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY THAT AWARDS STATE OR~~
26 ~~FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS SHALL:~~

27 ~~(I) USE THE UNIFORM GRANT APPLICATION FORM~~
28 ~~RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNCIL AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD UNDER~~
29 ~~SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION;~~

30 ~~(II) REQUIRE GRANT RECIPIENTS TO MAKE ANNUAL REPORTS~~
31 ~~IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIFORM FINANCIAL CONTROLS AND REPORTING~~

~~1 REQUIREMENTS AND UNIFORM PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORTING~~
~~2 REQUIREMENTS ADOPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION; AND~~

~~3 (H) ADMINISTER STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS IN~~
~~4 ACCORDANCE WITH PARTS A THROUGH E OF THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE, AS~~
~~5 ADOPTED IN REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD.~~

~~6 (2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION,~~
~~7 ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2024, EACH STATE AND LOCAL GRANT MAKING AGENCY~~
~~8 SHALL ADMINISTER STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE~~
~~9 ENTIRETY OF THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE, AS ADOPTED IN REGULATIONS OF THE~~
~~10 BOARD.~~

~~11 (3) (I) IF A REQUIREMENT OF THIS SUBSECTION OR OF~~
~~12 REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION WOULD CONFLICT WITH~~
~~13 APPLICABLE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS OR POSE AN UNDUE BURDEN ON A~~
~~14 GRANT MAKING AGENCY, GRANT APPLICANT, OR GRANT RECIPIENT WHEN APPLIED~~
~~15 TO A PARTICULAR GRANT PROGRAM, THE STATE OR LOCAL AGENCY THAT~~
~~16 ADMINISTERS THE GRANT PROGRAM MAY APPLY FOR AN EXCEPTION TO THE~~
~~17 REQUIREMENT.~~

~~18 (H) THE BOARD, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COUNCIL AND~~
~~19 THE GOVERNOR'S GRANTS OFFICE, SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE~~
~~20 CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF REQUESTS FOR EXCEPTIONS UNDER THIS~~
~~21 PARAGRAPH, INCLUDING WHICH ENTITIES SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR~~
~~22 CONSIDERING REQUESTS REGARDING PARTICULAR GRANT PROGRAMS.~~

~~23 (C) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2024, THE COUNCIL SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT~~
~~24 ON ITS FULL RECOMMENDATIONS AS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (B)(1) OF THIS~~
~~25 SECTION TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE~~
~~26 WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.~~

~~27 (F) (D) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2020, EACH STATE GRANT-MAKING~~
~~28 AGENCY SHALL APPOINT A CHIEF ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICER WHO SHALL:~~

~~29 (1) SERVE AS A LIAISON TO THE COUNCIL AND THE GOVERNOR'S~~
~~30 GRANTS OFFICE; AND~~

~~31 (2) BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE AGENCY'S IMPLEMENTATION OF AND~~
~~32 COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATIONS ADOPTED REPRESENTATION AND PARTICIPATION~~
~~33 IN THE PROCESS ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS SECTION.~~

~~34 (G) (E) THE GOVERNOR'S GRANTS OFFICE SHALL PROVIDE TECHNICAL~~
~~35 ASSISTANCE AND INTERPRETATIONS OF POLICY REQUIREMENTS IN ORDER TO~~

1 ENSURE THE EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION ~~BY~~
2 ~~STATE AND LOCAL GRANT MAKING AGENCIES.~~

3 ~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act and~~
4 ~~any regulations adopted under this Act shall supersede any conflicting State regulations~~
5 ~~regarding requirements for grant applications, financial controls and reporting, or~~
6 ~~performance progress reporting.~~

7 ~~SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before December 31,~~
8 ~~2021, the Board of Public Works and the Governor's Grants Office shall jointly report to the~~
9 ~~General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, on the~~
10 ~~implementation of this Act.~~

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, in accordance with § 2-1257
12 of the State Government Article, the Department of Budget and Management shall:

13 (1) on or before December 31, 2021, report to the General Assembly on the
14 implementation of this Act, including the timelines and deadlines recommended by the
15 Maryland Efficient Grant Application Council in accordance with § 2-210(b)(1)(iii) of the
16 State Finance and Procurement Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act; and

17 (2) on or before December 31 of the calendar years 2022 through 2026,
18 report to the General Assembly on the progress of the implementation of this Act, including
19 any recommendations of the Maryland Efficient Grant Application Council.

20 SECTION ~~4.~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the terms of the initial
21 members appointed to the Maryland Efficient Grant Application Council by the Governor
22 shall expire as follows:

23 (1) two members in 2022; and

24 (2) ~~two~~ three members in 2024.

25 SECTION ~~5.~~ 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
26 July 1, 2020. It shall remain effective for a period of 5 years and, at the end of June 30,
27 2025, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated
28 and of no further force and effect.