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By: **The Speaker (By Request – Administration)** Introduced and read first time: January 20, 2023 Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2023

- FOR the purpose of authorizing or altering the distribution of certain revenue; altering or
 repealing certain required appropriations; authorizing the use of certain funds for
 certain purposes; repealing a certain required appropriation to the Revenue
 Stabilization Account; reducing the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment for a
 certain fiscal year; and generally relating to the financing of State and local
 government.
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 10 Article State Finance and Procurement
- 11 Section 7–311(j)(1)(v)
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)
- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- Chapter 397 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2011, as amended by Chapter
 425 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2013, Chapter 464 of the Acts of
 the General Assembly of 2014, Chapter 489 of the Acts of the General
 Assembly of 2015, Chapter 23 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2017,
 Chapter 10 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2018, Chapter 16 of the
 Acts of the General Assembly of 2019, and Chapter 538 of the Acts of the
 General Assembly of 2020
- 22 Section 16(c)
- 23 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
 24 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – State Finance and Procurement

 $26 \quad 7-311.$

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 (j) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, for fiscal year 2 2007 and for each subsequent fiscal year, the Governor shall include in the budget bill an 3 appropriation:

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(v) for fiscal year 2024:

5 1. to the Maryland Equity Investment Fund established 6 under § 10–487 of the Economic Development Article an amount, up to \$10,000,000, that 7 is equal to 10% of the amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of 8 June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year exceeds \$10,000,000;

9 2. to the accumulation funds of the State Retirement and 10 Pension System an amount, up to a maximum of \$15,000,000, that is equal to 15% of the 11 amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second 12 preceding fiscal year exceeds \$10,000,000; AND

13 3. to the Postretirement Health Benefits Trust Fund
14 established under § 34–101 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article an amount, up to
15 a maximum of \$25,000,000, that is equal to 25% of the amount by which the unappropriated
16 General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year exceeds
17 \$10,000,000[; and

18 4. to the Account equal to the amount by which the 19 unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year 20 exceeds \$10,000,000, less the amount of the appropriations under items 1 through 3 of this 21 item].

Chapter 397 of the Acts of 2011, as amended by Chapter 425 of the Acts of 2013,
Chapter 464 of the Acts of 2014, Chapter 489 of the Acts of 2015, Chapter 23 of
the Acts of 2017, Chapter 10 of the Acts of 2018, Chapter 16 of the Acts of 2019,
and Chapter 538 of the Acts of 2020

26 SECTION 16. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, in addition to any other 27 revenue generated under § 19–214 of the Health – General Article, as amended by this Act:

(c) (1) For fiscal year 2015 and 2016, the Commission and the Maryland
Department of Health shall adopt policies that will provide up to \$389,825,000 in special
fund revenues from hospital assessment and remittance revenue.

31 (2) For fiscal year 2017, the Governor shall reduce the budgeted Medicaid
 32 Deficit Assessment by \$25,000,000 over the assessment level for the prior year.

(3) For fiscal year 2018, the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment shall be
 \$364,825,000.

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1 (4) For fiscal year 2019, the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment shall be \$334,825,000.

3 (5) For fiscal year 2020, the budgeted Medicaid Deficit Assessment shall be 4 \$309,825,000.

5 (6) [For] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (7) OF THIS 6 SUBSECTION, FOR fiscal year 2021 and each fiscal year thereafter, the budgeted Medicaid 7 Deficit Assessment shall be \$294,825,000.

8 (7) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 ONLY, THE BUDGETED MEDICAID 9 DEFICIT ASSESSMENT SHALL BE \$244,825,000.

10 [(7)] (8) To the extent that the Commission takes other actions that 11 reduce Medicaid costs, those savings shall also be used to reduce the budgeted Medicaid 12 Deficit Assessment.

13 [(8)] (9) To the maximum extent possible, the Commission and the 14 Maryland Department of Health shall adopt policies that preserve the State's Medicare 15 waiver.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June1, 2023.