

# SENATE BILL 362

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By: **The President (By Request – Administration)**

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2024**

3 FOR the purpose of altering or repealing certain required appropriations; authorizing the  
4 use of certain funds for certain purposes; authorizing the State Department of  
5 Education to make certain alterations to enrollment in the Child Care Scholarship  
6 Program in effect as of a certain date; altering the Senator John A. Cade Funding  
7 Formula for community colleges; altering the program of State aid to private  
8 nonprofit institutions of higher education known as the Joseph A. Sellinger Program;  
9 authorizing the Developmental Disabilities Administration to establish certain  
10 limits on certain goods and services provided to certain recipients; authorizing or  
11 altering the distribution of certain revenue; specifying that a certain provision  
12 regarding interest earnings for certain special funds does not apply for certain fiscal  
13 years; repealing the requirement for the Governor to provide hard copies of the  
14 budget books; reducing certain commissions and fees for licensed lottery sales  
15 agents; requiring a certain percentage of the Maryland Transit Administration's bus  
16 fleet purchases to be zero-emission buses; repealing the requirement for the Motor  
17 Vehicle Administration to issue, and for vehicle owners to display, a validation tab  
18 on a license plate to evidence payment of a vehicle's annual registration fee;  
19 repealing certain required appropriations to the Maryland Public Broadcasting  
20 Commission; repealing a certain small business relief tax credit; requiring interest  
21 earnings for certain special funds to accrue to the General Fund of the State during  
22 certain fiscal years; authorizing the transfer of certain funds; and generally relating  
23 to the financing of State and local government.

24 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
25 Article – Agriculture  
26 Section 10-407(d)  
27 Annotated Code of Maryland  
28 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

29 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 Article – Commercial Law  
2 Section 14–4101(a) and (c)  
3 Annotated Code of Maryland  
4 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
6 Article – Commercial Law  
7 Section 14–4104(a)  
8 Annotated Code of Maryland  
9 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
11 Article – Education  
12 Section 5–315(a), 7–447.1(a)(1) and (3) through (6), 9.5–111(a)(1) and (3), 16–305(a),  
13 and 17–101  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
17 Article – Education  
18 Section 5–315(l), 7–447.1(p), 9.5–111(d)(2) and (3), 16–305(b) through (d), and  
19 17–104  
20 Annotated Code of Maryland  
21 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 22 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
23 Article – Health – General  
24 Section 7–101(a), (b), and (l)  
25 Annotated Code of Maryland  
26 (2023 Replacement Volume)
- 27 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
28 Article – Health – General  
29 Section 7–409(c)  
30 Annotated Code of Maryland  
31 (2023 Replacement Volume)
- 32 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
33 Article – Housing and Community Development  
34 Section 6–1101(a) and (b)  
35 Annotated Code of Maryland  
36 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 37 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
38 Article – Housing and Community Development  
39 Section 6–1102(e)  
40 Annotated Code of Maryland

- 1 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 2 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
3 Article – Natural Resources  
4 Section 4–209(k), 5–307(f), and 8–2A–02(f)(4)(i)  
5 Annotated Code of Maryland  
6 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
8 Article – Natural Resources  
9 Section 5–307(a) and 8–2A–02(a)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
13 Article – Public Safety  
14 Section 4–1011(a)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
18 Article – Public Safety  
19 Section 4–1011(b)  
20 Annotated Code of Maryland  
21 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
23 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
24 Section 6–104(e), 6–226(a)(2)(i), 7–115(b), and 7–311(j)  
25 Annotated Code of Maryland  
26 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 27 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
28 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
29 Section 7–115(a) and 7–311(a)(1) and (2)  
30 Annotated Code of Maryland  
31 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 32 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
33 Article – State Government  
34 Section 9–101(a), (b), (d), and (g)  
35 Annotated Code of Maryland  
36 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
- 37 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
38 Article – State Government  
39 Section 9–117(a)

1 Annotated Code of Maryland  
2 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

3 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
4 Article – Transportation  
5 Section 7–101(a) and (b), 11–101 through 11–103, and 13–413(a)  
6 Annotated Code of Maryland  
7 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
9 Article – Transportation  
10 Section 7–205(e)(1)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)  
13 (As enacted by Chapters 11 and 20 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the 2021  
14 Special Session)

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
16 Article – Transportation  
17 Section 7–205(e)(2)  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)  
20 (As enacted by Chapters 11 and 20 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the 2021  
21 Special Session)

22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
23 Article – Transportation  
24 Section 7–406(c)(1) and (2), 8–403(b), 13–410(e), 13–411(d) and (e), 13–412(a), (b)(1),  
25 and (c), 13–413(b), and 13–415(a) through (c), (g), and (h)  
26 Annotated Code of Maryland  
27 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

28 BY repealing  
29 Article – Education  
30 Section 24–204(d)  
31 Annotated Code of Maryland  
32 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

33 BY repealing  
34 Article – Tax – General  
35 Section 10–748  
36 Annotated Code of Maryland  
37 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

**Article – Agriculture**

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2 10–407.

3 (d) For fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor [shall] **MAY**  
4 include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$150,000 for the University of  
5 Maryland Extension to hire one extension agent as a Native Plant Specialist and \$100,000  
6 for the Department to hire staff to administer the Program.

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**Article – Commercial Law**

8 14–4101.

9 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

10 (c) “Office” means the Office of the Attorney General.

11 14–4104.

12 (a) (1) **(I)** For [fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year thereafter] **FISCAL**  
13 **YEARS 2020 THROUGH 2024**, the Governor shall include **IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL**  
14 an appropriation of at least \$700,000 in general funds [in the State budget] for the Office  
15 for the purposes of enforcement of:

16 [(i)] 1. Consumer protection laws under this title;

17 [(ii)] 2. Consumer protection laws under Title 13 of this article;

18 and

19 [(iii)] 3. Financial consumer protection laws.

20 **(II) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR**  
21 **THEREAFTER, THE GOVERNOR MAY INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN**  
22 **APPROPRIATION OF AT LEAST \$700,000 IN SPECIAL FUNDS FOR THE OFFICE FOR**  
23 **THE PURPOSES OF ENFORCEMENT OF:**

24 1. **CONSUMER PROTECTION LAWS UNDER THIS TITLE;**

25 2. **CONSUMER PROTECTION LAWS UNDER TITLE 13 OF**  
26 **THIS ARTICLE; AND**

27 3. **FINANCIAL CONSUMER PROTECTION LAWS.**

28 (2) The Office shall use the funds under paragraph (1) of this subsection  
29 for:

- 1 (i) Staffing costs associated with hiring new employees; and  
2 (ii) Investigations of alleged violations of consumer protection laws  
3 in the State.

#### 4 Article – Education

5 5–315.

6 (a) In this section, “Fund” means the School Construction Revolving Loan Fund.

7 (l) (1) In fiscal year 2023, the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill  
8 an appropriation of at least \$40,000,000 to the Fund.

9 (2) In fiscal year 2024, the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill  
10 an appropriation of at least \$20,000,000 to the Fund.

11 (3) In each of fiscal years [2025 and] 2026 **AND 2027**, the Governor [shall]  
12 **MAY** include in the annual budget bill **OR THE CAPITAL BUDGET BILL** an appropriation  
13 of at least \$10,000,000 to the Fund.

14 7–447.1.

15 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

16 (3) “Commission” means the Maryland Community Health Resources  
17 Commission.

18 (4) “Consortium” means the Maryland Consortium on Coordinated  
19 Community Supports established under subsection (b) of this section.

20 (5) “Coordinated community supports” means a holistic, nonstigmatized,  
21 and coordinated approach, including among the following persons, to meeting students’  
22 behavioral health needs, addressing related challenges, and providing community services  
23 and supports to the students:

24 (i) Teachers, school leadership, and student instructional support  
25 personnel;

26 (ii) Local school systems;

27 (iii) Local community schools;

28 (iv) Behavioral health coordinators appointed under § 7–447 of this  
29 subtitle;

- 1 (v) Local health departments;
- 2 (vi) Nonprofit hospitals;
- 3 (vii) Other youth–serving governmental entities;
- 4 (viii) Other local youth–serving community entities;
- 5 (ix) Community behavioral health providers;
- 6 (x) Telemedicine providers;
- 7 (xi) Federally qualified health centers; and
- 8 (xii) Students, parents, and guardians.

9 (6) “Coordinated community supports partnership” means an entity  
10 formed to deliver coordinated community supports.

11 (p) (1) In this subsection, “Fund” means the Coordinated Community Supports  
12 Partnership Fund.

13 (2) There is a Coordinated Community Supports Partnership Fund.

14 (3) The purpose of the Fund is to support the delivery of services and  
15 supports provided to students to meet their holistic behavioral health needs and address  
16 other related challenges.

17 (4) The Commission shall administer the Fund and the provision of grants  
18 **AND REIMBURSEMENTS** under the Fund.

19 (5) (i) The Fund is a special, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to §  
20 7–302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

21 (ii) The State Treasurer shall hold the Fund separately, and the  
22 Comptroller shall account for the Fund.

23 (6) The Fund consists of:

24 (i) Money appropriated in the State budget to the Fund;

25 (ii) Interest earnings; and

26 (iii) Any other money from any other source accepted for the benefit  
27 of the Fund.

28 (7) The Fund may be used [only] by the Commission for:

1 (i) Providing reimbursement, under a memorandum of  
 2 understanding, to the National Center for School Mental Health and other technical  
 3 assistance providers to support the work of the Consortium;

4 (ii) Providing grants to coordinated community supports  
 5 partnerships to deliver services and supports to meet students' holistic behavioral health  
 6 needs and to address other related challenges; [and]

7 **(III) PROVIDING SCHOOL-BASED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**  
 8 **SERVICES; AND**

9 [(iii)] **(IV)** Paying any associated administrative costs.

10 **(8) THE FUND MAY BE USED TO REIMBURSE THE MEDICAL CARE**  
 11 **PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION FOR SCHOOL-BASED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES**  
 12 **PROVIDED ON A FEE-FOR-SERVICE BASIS THROUGH A MEDICAID WAIVER.**

13 **[(8)] (9)** The Governor shall include in the annual budget bill the  
 14 following appropriations for the Fund:

15 (i) \$25,000,000 in fiscal year 2022;

16 (ii) \$50,000,000 in fiscal year 2023;

17 (iii) \$85,000,000 in fiscal year 2024;

18 (iv) \$110,000,000 in fiscal year 2025; and

19 (v) \$130,000,000 in fiscal year 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter.

20 **[(9)] (10)** (i) The State Treasurer shall invest the money of the Fund in  
 21 the same manner as other State money may be invested.

22 (ii) Any interest earnings of the Fund shall be credited to the Fund.

23 **[(10)] (11)** Expenditures from the Fund may be made only in accordance  
 24 with the State budget.

25 9.5–111.

26 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

27 (3) “Program” means the Child Care Scholarship Program.

28 (d) (2) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, the Department



1 may not make the following alterations to the Program in effect as of January 1, 2023:

- 2 (i) Increase the copayment levels;
- 3 (ii) Reduce the reimbursement rates; **OR**
- 4 (iii) Reduce the income eligibility requirements]; or
- 5 (iv) Implement a freeze in Program enrollment].

6 (3) (i) The Department may alter the Program in effect as of January  
7 1, 2023, by increasing the copayment levels, reducing the reimbursement rates, **OR**  
8 reducing the income eligibility requirements, [or implementing a freeze in Program  
9 enrollment,] if:

10 1. The Department submits a notification to the Senate  
11 Budget and Taxation Committee, the Senate Committee on Education, Energy, and the  
12 Environment, the House Appropriations Committee, and the House Ways and Means  
13 Committee, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, on the intended  
14 Program alterations, including the reason for, and expected duration of, the proposed  
15 actions; and

16 2. The Program alterations identified in the notification are  
17 not implemented until the completion of the regular legislative session immediately  
18 following the submission of the notification.

19 (ii) If the Board of Public Works approves budget reductions for the  
20 Program under § 7–213 of the State Finance and Procurement Article for a certain fiscal  
21 year, the Department may increase the copayment levels, reduce the reimbursement rates,  
22 **OR** reduce the income eligibility requirements[, or implement a freeze in Program  
23 enrollment] at any time during the fiscal year.

24 16–305.

25 (a) The formula used for the distribution of funds to the community colleges in  
26 the State shall be known as the Senator John A. Cade Funding Formula.

27 (b) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

28 (2) “Assessed valuation of real property” means assessed valuation of real  
29 property as determined for purposes of the State aid calculated under § 5–202 of this  
30 article.

31 (3) “Board” means:

32 (i) In a county that has one or more community colleges, the board

1 of community college trustees for the county; or

2 (ii) Where two or more counties establish a region to support a  
3 regional community college, the board of regional community college trustees.

4 (4) “Community college” means a community college established under this  
5 title but does not include Baltimore City Community College.

6 (5) “County share” means the total amount of money for operating funds to  
7 be provided each fiscal year to a board by the county that supports the community college  
8 or colleges or, in the case of a regional community college, the total amount of money for  
9 operating funds to be provided each fiscal year to the board by all counties that support the  
10 regional community college.

11 (6) “Direct grants” means the sum of the following components of the State  
12 share:

13 (i) [Fixed costs;

14 (ii) Marginal] **BASE** costs; and

15 [(iii)] **(II)** Size factor.

16 (7) “Full-time equivalent student” **FOR EACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE** is  
17 [the quotient of the number of student credit hours produced in the fiscal year 2 years prior  
18 to the fiscal year for which the State share is calculated divided by 30, as certified by the  
19 Maryland Higher Education Commission] **THE GREATER OF:**

20 **(I) THE QUOTIENT OF THE NUMBER OF STUDENT CREDIT**  
21 **HOURS PRODUCED IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2 YEARS PRIOR TO THE FISCAL YEAR FOR**  
22 **WHICH THE STATE SHARE IS CALCULATED DIVIDED BY 30, AS CERTIFIED BY THE**  
23 **MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION; OR**

24 **(II) THE 3-YEAR MOVING AVERAGE QUOTIENT OF THE NUMBER**  
25 **OF STUDENT CREDIT HOURS PRODUCED IN THE FISCAL YEARS 2 YEARS PRIOR, 3**  
26 **YEARS PRIOR, AND 4 YEARS PRIOR TO THE FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH THE STATE**  
27 **SHARE IS CALCULATED DIVIDED BY 30, AS CERTIFIED BY THE MARYLAND HIGHER**  
28 **EDUCATION COMMISSION.**

29 (8) “Population” means population as determined for purposes of  
30 calculating the State share of the library program using the definition in § 23-501 of this  
31 article.

32 (9) “Region” means the counties supporting a regional community college  
33 established under Subtitle 2 of this title.

1 (10) “Small community college” means:

- 2 (i) Allegany College of Maryland;
- 3 (ii) Garrett College;
- 4 (iii) Hagerstown Community College;
- 5 (iv) Carroll Community College;
- 6 (v) Cecil Community College;
- 7 (vi) Chesapeake College; or
- 8 (vii) Wor–Wic Community College.

9 (11) “State share” means the amount of money for community college  
10 operating funds to be provided each fiscal year to a board by the State.

11 (12) “Student credit hours” means student credit hours, including those  
12 earned by a P–TECH student as provided in § 7–1804(c) of this article, or contact hours,  
13 which are eligible, under the regulations issued by the Maryland Higher Education  
14 Commission, for inclusion in State funding calculations.

15 (13) “Total State operating fund” means the sum of community college State  
16 appropriations for direct grants.

17 (c) (1) (i) Except as provided in subparagraphs (iii), (iv), and (v) of this  
18 paragraph, the total State operating fund per full–time equivalent student to the  
19 community colleges for each fiscal year as requested by the Governor shall be:

20 1. In fiscal year 2009, not less than an amount equal to  
21 26.25% of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the  
22 4–year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission  
23 for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this  
24 article in the previous fiscal year;

25 2. In fiscal year 2010, not less than an amount equal to 23.6%  
26 of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year  
27 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for  
28 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
29 in the same fiscal year;

30 3. In fiscal year 2011, not less than an amount equal to 21.8%  
31 of the State’s General Fund appropriation per full–time equivalent student to the 4–year  
32 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for

1 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
2 in the same fiscal year;

3 4. In fiscal year 2012, not less than an amount equal to 20%  
4 of the State's General Fund appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year  
5 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for  
6 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
7 in the same fiscal year;

8 5. In fiscal year 2014, an amount that is the greater of 19.7%  
9 of the State's General Fund appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year  
10 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for  
11 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
12 in the same fiscal year or \$1,839.47 per full-time equivalent student;

13 6. In fiscal year 2015, an amount that is the greater of 19.7%  
14 of the State's General Fund appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year  
15 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for  
16 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
17 in the same fiscal year or \$1,839.47 per full-time equivalent student;

18 7. In fiscal year 2017, not less than an amount equal to 20.5%  
19 of the State's General Fund appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year  
20 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for  
21 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
22 in the same fiscal year;

23 8. In fiscal year 2018, not less than an amount equal to 21.0%  
24 of the State's General Fund appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year  
25 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for  
26 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
27 in the same fiscal year;

28 9. In fiscal year 2019, not less than an amount equal to 22.0%  
29 of the State's General Fund appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year  
30 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for  
31 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
32 in the same fiscal year;

33 10. In fiscal year 2020, not less than an amount equal to 23%  
34 of the State's General Fund appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year  
35 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for  
36 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
37 in the same fiscal year;

38 11. In fiscal year 2021, not less than an amount equal to 25%  
39 of the State's General Fund appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year

1 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for  
2 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
3 in the same fiscal year;

4                   12. In fiscal year 2022, not less than an amount equal to 27%  
5 of the State's General Fund appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year  
6 public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for  
7 the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article  
8 in the same fiscal year; [and]

9                   13. In fiscal year 2023 [and each fiscal year thereafter] **AND**  
10 **FISCAL YEAR 2024**, not less than an amount equal to 29% of the State's General Fund  
11 appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year public institutions of higher  
12 education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering  
13 the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the same fiscal year; **AND**

14                   **14. IN FISCAL YEAR 2025 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR**  
15 **THEREAFTER, NOT LESS THAN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 26.5% OF THE STATE'S**  
16 **GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION PER FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STUDENT TO THE**  
17 **4-YEAR PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE AS**  
18 **DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTERING THE**  
19 **JOSEPH A. SELLINGER PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 17 OF THIS ARTICLE IN THE SAME**  
20 **FISCAL YEAR.**

21                   (ii) For purposes of this subsection, the State's General Fund  
22 appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year public institutions of higher  
23 education in the State for a fiscal year shall include:

24                   1. Noncapital appropriations from the Higher Education  
25 Investment Fund; and

26                   2. Appropriations, regardless of where they are budgeted,  
27 designated for the general operation of 4-year public institutions of higher education in the  
28 State, including personnel-related appropriations.

29                   (iii) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (i) of this  
30 paragraph, the total State operating funds to be distributed under this subsection to the  
31 community colleges for each of fiscal years 2011 and 2012 shall be \$194,407,432.

32                   (iv) In fiscal year 2013, the total State operating funds for community  
33 colleges shall be \$199,176,114, to be distributed as follows:

34                   1. Allegany College \$4,773,622;

35                   2. Anne Arundel Community College \$27,235,329;



- 1                   10. Hagerstown Community College \$7,620,412;
- 2                   11. Harford Community College \$10,865,634;
- 3                   12. Howard Community College \$15,723,055;
- 4                   13. Montgomery College \$40,000,786;
- 5                   14. Prince George's Community College \$26,072,537; and
- 6                   15. Wor-Wic Community College \$7,108,241.

7                   (2) The State share shall be distributed to each board and shall be limited  
8 by the provisions of subsection (d) of this section.

9                   (3) Subject to subsection (d) of this section, the total State share for each  
10 board shall be the sum of:

- 11                   (i) The [fixed costs component;
- 12                   (ii) The marginal] **BASE** costs component; **AND**
- 13                   [(iii)] **(II)** The size factor component[; and
- 14                   (iv) A hold harmless component].

15                   [(4) (i) The funds available for the fixed costs component shall be a set  
16 percentage of the year's total State operating fund as follows:

- 17                   1. For fiscal year 1998, 36% of total funding;
- 18                   2. For fiscal year 1999, 37% of total funding; and
- 19                   3. For fiscal year 2000 and each fiscal year thereafter, 38%  
20 of total funding.

21                   (ii) The funds available for the fixed costs component shall be divided  
22 and distributed to the community colleges in the same proportion in which the direct grants  
23 were distributed in the prior fiscal year.]

24                   [(5)] **(4)** [(i)] For each board, the [marginal] **BASE** costs component  
25 shall be [the product of] the [dollar amount] **TOTAL STATE OPERATING FUND** per  
26 full-time equivalent student [multiplied by the number of full-time equivalent students at  
27 the board's community college or colleges.

- 28                   (ii) The dollar amount per full-time equivalent student shall be

1 calculated by dividing 60% of the total State operating fund for the fiscal year by the total  
2 number of full-time equivalent students at community colleges statewide.

3 (iii) In determining the marginal costs component for a board, the  
4 number of full-time equivalent students at all campuses and colleges operated by the board  
5 shall be added together] **TO THE COMMUNITY COLLEGES.**

6 [(6) (5) (i) The size factor component shall be [2% of] the year's total  
7 State operating fund **MULTIPLIED BY 2%.**

8 (ii) Except as provided in subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph, the  
9 funds available for the size factor component shall be divided and distributed equally to  
10 each board that operates a community college or colleges at which the total number of  
11 full-time equivalent students is less than or equal to 80% of the statewide median.

12 (iii) 1. Beginning with the first fiscal year that a board no longer  
13 meets the eligibility requirements under subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, the board  
14 shall continue to receive a percentage of the size factor component that the board received  
15 in the last fiscal year for which the board was eligible, as follows:

16 A. 80% for the first fiscal year;

17 B. 60% for the second fiscal year;

18 C. 40% for the third fiscal year;

19 D. 20% for the fourth fiscal year; and

20 E. 0% for the fifth and each subsequent fiscal year.

21 2. The distributions required under subparagraph (ii) of this  
22 paragraph shall be made from the remaining funds available for the size factor component  
23 after any distributions required under this subparagraph.

24 (iv) In determining the eligibility of a board for a size factor  
25 component, the number of full-time equivalent students at all campuses and colleges  
26 operated by the board shall be added together.

27 [(7) (i) A board shall be eligible for a hold harmless component  
28 beginning in fiscal year 1998 if the sum of the board's fixed costs, marginal costs, and size  
29 factor components for the fiscal year is less than the board's total State share in the prior  
30 fiscal year.

31 (ii) The hold harmless component amount shall be determined by  
32 subtracting the sum of an eligible board's fixed costs, marginal costs, and size factor  
33 components for the fiscal year from the board's total State share for the prior fiscal year.]



1            **[(8)] (6)**      Any employer Social Security contributions required by federal  
2 law for any employee of a board of community college trustees shall remain the obligation  
3 of the employer.

4            **[(9)] (7)**      The State contribution to retirement and fringe benefit costs is  
5 not included in the calculations of amounts under this subsection.

6            (d)      In each fiscal year, in order for a board to receive an increase in the State  
7 share of support [or a hold harmless component amount], the county share, in the  
8 aggregate, that supports the community college or colleges shall equal or exceed the  
9 aggregate amount of operating fund appropriations made to the board by the county or all  
10 of the counties supporting the college in the previous fiscal year.

11 17-101.

12            There is a program of State aid to private nonprofit institutions of higher education  
13 known as the Joseph A. Sellinger Program.

14 17-104.

15            (a)      **[(1)**      Except as provided in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), and (5) of this subsection,  
16 the Maryland Higher Education Commission shall compute the amount of the annual  
17 apportionment for each institution that qualifies under this subtitle by multiplying the  
18 number of full-time equivalent students enrolled at the institution during the fall semester  
19 of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the aid apportionment is made, as  
20 determined by the Maryland Higher Education Commission by:

21                            (i)      In fiscal year 2009, an amount not less than 16% of the State's  
22 General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public  
23 institutions of higher education in this State for the preceding fiscal year;

24                            (ii)     In fiscal year 2010, an amount not less than 12.85% of the State's  
25 General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public  
26 institutions of higher education in the State for the same fiscal year;

27                            (iii)    In fiscal year 2011, an amount not less than 9.8% of the State's  
28 General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public  
29 institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year;

30                            (iv)    In fiscal year 2012, an amount not less than 9.2% of the State's  
31 General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public  
32 institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year;

33                            (v)    In fiscal year 2014, an amount that is the greater of 9.4% of the  
34 State's General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public  
35 institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year or \$875.53 per

1 full-time equivalent student;

2 (vi) In fiscal year 2015, an amount that is the greater of 9.4% of the  
3 State's General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public  
4 institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year or \$875.53 per  
5 full-time equivalent student;

6 (vii) In fiscal year 2017, an amount not less than 10.1% of the State's  
7 General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public  
8 institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year;

9 (viii) In fiscal year 2018, an amount not less than 10.5% of the State's  
10 General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public  
11 institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year;

12 (ix) In fiscal year 2019, an amount not less than 10.8% of the State's  
13 General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public  
14 institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year;

15 (x) In fiscal year 2020, an amount not less than 11.1% of the State's  
16 General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public  
17 institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year; and

18 (xi) In fiscal year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter, an amount not  
19 less than 15.5% of the State's General Fund per full-time equivalent student appropriation  
20 to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in this State for the same fiscal year.

21 (2) For each of fiscal years 2011 and 2012, the total amount of the aid  
22 provided under this subtitle shall be \$38,445,958, to be allocated among the institutions  
23 that qualify under this subtitle in proportion to the number of full-time equivalent students  
24 enrolled at each institution during the fall semester of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal  
25 year for which the aid apportionment is made, as determined by the Maryland Higher  
26 Education Commission.

27 (3) In fiscal year 2013, the total amount of aid due to all institutions shall  
28 be \$38,056,175.

29 (4) In fiscal year 2016, the total amount of the aid provided under this  
30 subtitle shall be \$42,822,240, to be allocated among the institutions that qualify under this  
31 subtitle in proportion to the number of full-time equivalent students enrolled at each  
32 institution during the fall semester of fiscal year 2015, as determined by the Maryland  
33 Higher Education Commission.

34 (5) In fiscal year 2021, the total amount of the aid provided under this  
35 subtitle shall be \$69,624,905, to be allocated among the institutions that qualify under this  
36 subtitle in proportion to the number of full-time equivalent students enrolled at each  
37 institution during the fall semester of fiscal year 2020, as determined by the Maryland

1 Higher Education Commission.] **IN FISCAL YEAR 2025 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR**  
2 **THEREAFTER, THE MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION SHALL COMPUTE**  
3 **THE AMOUNT OF THE ANNUAL APPORTIONMENT FOR EACH INSTITUTION THAT**  
4 **QUALIFIES UNDER THIS SUBTITLE BY MULTIPLYING THE NUMBER OF FULL-TIME**  
5 **EQUIVALENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ENROLLED AT THE INSTITUTION DURING**  
6 **THE FALL SEMESTER OF THE FISCAL YEAR PRECEDING THE FISCAL YEAR FOR**  
7 **WHICH THE AID APPORTIONMENT IS MADE, AS DETERMINED BY THE MARYLAND**  
8 **HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION, BY AN AMOUNT NOT LESS THAN 15.5% OF THE**  
9 **STATE’S GENERAL FUND PER FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STUDENT APPROPRIATION**  
10 **TO THE 4-YEAR PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS STATE FOR**  
11 **THE SAME FISCAL YEAR.**

12 (b) (1) Full-time equivalent students enrolled in seminarian or theological  
13 programs shall be excluded from the computation required by subsection (a) of this section.

14 (2) Full-time equivalent students enrolled in programs that are part of an  
15 agreement or contract with for-profit educational services entities shall be excluded from  
16 the computation required by subsection (a) of this section.

17 (c) Payments of State general funds under Subtitle 3 of this title shall be excluded  
18 from the computation required by subsection (a) of this section.

19 (d) For purposes of this section, the State’s General Fund appropriation per  
20 full-time equivalent student to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in the  
21 State for a fiscal year shall include:

22 (1) Noncapital appropriations from the Higher Education Investment  
23 Fund; and

24 (2) Appropriations, regardless of where they are budgeted, designated for  
25 the general operation of 4-year public institutions of higher education in the State,  
26 including personnel-related appropriations.

27 **Article – Health – General**

28 7–101.

29 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

30 (b) “Administration” means the Developmental Disabilities Administration.

31 (l) (1) “Individual-directed and family-directed goods and services” means  
32 services, equipment, activities, or supplies for individuals who self-direct services that:

33 (i) Relate to a need or goal identified in the person-centered plan of  
34 service;

1 (ii) Maintain or increase independence;

2 (iii) Promote opportunities for community living and inclusion; and

3 (iv) Are not available under another waiver service or services  
4 provided under the State plan established in Subtitle 3 of this title.

5 (2) “Individual–directed and family–directed goods and services” includes  
6 all goods or services authorized by regulations adopted or guidance issued by the federal  
7 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under § 1915(c) of the Social Security Act.

8 7–409.

9 (c) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Administration may not  
10 establish a limit on[:

11 (i) The dollar amount of individual–directed and family–directed  
12 goods and services provided to a recipient; or

13 (ii) The] **THE** number of hours of personal support services provided  
14 to a recipient who receives self–directed services that:

15 [1.] **(I)** Are necessary for the health and safety of the  
16 recipient; and

17 [2.] **(II)** Are authorized by regulations adopted or guidance  
18 issued by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under § 1915(c) of the  
19 Social Security Act.

20 (2) A recipient may not receive services or supports in excess of the  
21 recipient’s annual approved budget.

22 **Article – Housing and Community Development**

23 6–1101.

24 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

25 (b) “Program” means the Business Facade Improvement Program.

26 6–1102.

27 (e) For fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor shall  
28 include in the annual budget bill **OR THE CAPITAL BUDGET BILL** an appropriation of  
29 \$5,000,000 to the Program.

## 1 Article – Natural Resources

2 4–209.

3 (k) (1) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2023 AND 2024, THE GOVERNOR SHALL  
4 INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL A GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION TO THE  
5 FISHERIES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FUND OF NOT LESS THAN \$1,794,000.

6 (2) Beginning in fiscal year [2023] 2026 and each fiscal year thereafter,  
7 the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill a General Fund appropriation to the  
8 Fisheries Research and Development Fund of not less than \$1,794,000.

9 5–307.

10 (a) In this section, “Fund” means the Mel Noland Woodland Incentives and  
11 Fellowship Fund.

12 (f) (1) The Fund consists of:

13 (i) As provided in § 13–306 of the Tax – Property Article, up to  
14 \$200,000 annually of the proceeds of the tax imposed by § 13–302 of the Tax – Property  
15 Article that are attributable to the taxation of instruments of writing that transfer title to  
16 parcels of land that are entirely woodland;

17 (ii) Revenues collected by the Department from the payment of  
18 charges imposed for Department assistance in implementation of an approved practice;

19 (iii) Money distributed from the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal  
20 Bays 2010 Trust Fund under § 8–2A–04 of this article;

21 (iv) Subject to approval by the Secretary and the Board of Public  
22 Works, a portion of the revenues derived from the forestry practices on designated lands  
23 owned and managed by the Department, that are conducted in accordance with applicable  
24 State law and regulation; and

25 (v) Money appropriated to the Fund under paragraph (2) of this  
26 subsection.

27 (2) (I) For fiscal year 2024 [and each fiscal year thereafter], the  
28 Governor shall include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to the  
29 Fund.

30 (II) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR  
31 THEREAFTER, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN  
32 APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO THE FUND.

1 8-2A-02.

2 (a) There is a Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays 2010 Trust Fund.

3 (f) (4) (i) **1. IN FISCAL YEAR 2024, THE GOVERNOR SHALL**  
4 **INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF \$2,500,000 TO THE**  
5 **FUND, TO BE USED, SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF**  
6 **THIS PARAGRAPH, FOR TREE PLANTINGS ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LAND.**

7 **2.** In each fiscal year from [2024] **2025** through 2031,  
8 inclusive, [the Governor shall include in the annual State budget an appropriation of  
9 \$2,500,000 to the Fund, to] **\$2,500,000 FROM THE FUND SHALL** be used, subject to the  
10 requirements of subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, for tree plantings on public and  
11 private land.

## 12 Article – Public Safety

13 4-1011.

14 (a) In this section, “local law enforcement agency” means:

15 (1) a police department of a county or municipal corporation in the State;  
16 or

17 (2) the office of the sheriff that provides a law enforcement function in a  
18 county or municipal corporation in the State.

19 (b) **(1)** For fiscal [years] **YEAR 2024 [through 2026, each year]**, the Governor  
20 shall include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$2,000,000 for local law  
21 enforcement agencies to be used as grants for warrant apprehension efforts.

22 **(2) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2025 AND 2026, THE GOVERNOR SHALL**  
23 **INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,000,000 FOR**  
24 **LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO BE USED AS GRANTS FOR WARRANT**  
25 **APPREHENSION EFFORTS.**

## 26 Article – State Finance and Procurement

27 6-104.

28 (e) (1) Beginning with the revenue estimate for fiscal year 2020, the Bureau  
29 shall calculate the share of General Fund revenues represented by nonwithholding income  
30 tax revenues in accordance with this subsection.

31 (2) (i) For each fiscal year, the Bureau shall calculate the 10-year  
32 average share of General Fund revenues represented by nonwithholding income tax

1 revenues.

2 (ii) 1. For each fiscal year, the 10-year average shall use the 10  
3 most recently completed fiscal years for which data are available when the estimate is  
4 prepared in the September before the beginning of the fiscal year.

5 2. The same 10-year average shall be used in all subsequent  
6 revisions to the revenue estimate for that fiscal year.

7 (3) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, for each fiscal  
8 year, if the Bureau's estimate of the share of General Fund revenues from nonwithholding  
9 income tax revenues is above the 10-year average share, the Bureau shall adjust the  
10 revenue estimate by reducing General Fund revenues from nonwithholding income tax  
11 revenues by an amount sufficient to align the estimated share of General Fund revenues  
12 from nonwithholding income tax revenues with the 10-year average share of General Fund  
13 revenues from nonwithholding income taxes.

14 (ii) The adjustment made under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph  
15 may not exceed the following percentage of total General Fund revenues or dollar value in  
16 a specified fiscal year:

17 1. 0.225% for fiscal year 2020;

18 2. \$0 for fiscal year 2021;

19 3. \$80,000,000 for fiscal year 2022;

20 4. \$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2023;

21 5. \$120,000,000 for fiscal year 2024;

22 6. [~~\$140,000,000~~] **\$100,000,000** for fiscal [year] **YEARS**  
23 **2025 AND 2026**; and

24 7. 2% for fiscal year [~~2026~~] **2027** and each fiscal year  
25 thereafter.

26 (iii) The capped estimate calculated under this paragraph shall be  
27 incorporated in the revenue estimate the Bureau shall report to the Board in the report  
28 required under subsection (b)(2) of this section.

29 6-226.

30 (a) (2) (i) 1. **THIS SUBPARAGRAPH DOES NOT APPLY IN FISCAL**  
31 **YEARS 2024 THROUGH 2028.**

1                   **2.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and unless  
2 inconsistent with a federal law, grant agreement, or other federal requirement or with the  
3 terms of a gift or settlement agreement, net interest on all State money allocated by the  
4 State Treasurer under this section to special funds or accounts, and otherwise entitled to  
5 receive interest earnings, as accounted for by the Comptroller, shall accrue to the General  
6 Fund of the State.

7 7–115.

8           (a) On submission of the budget bill to the presiding officers of the General  
9 Assembly, the Governor shall provide the supporting material specified in this section.

10           (b) The Governor shall [provide] **PUBLISH ONLINE** budget books that include the  
11 information required in this section.

12 7–311.

13           (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

14                   (2) “Account” means the Revenue Stabilization Account.

15           (j) (1) Except as provided in [paragraph] **PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3)** of this  
16 subsection, for fiscal year 2007 and for each subsequent fiscal year, the Governor shall  
17 include in the budget bill an appropriation:

18                   (i) for fiscal year 2017, to the accumulation funds of the State  
19 Retirement and Pension System an amount, up to a maximum of \$50,000,000, that is equal  
20 to one–half of the amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June  
21 30 of the second preceding fiscal year exceeds \$10,000,000;

22                   (ii) for fiscal year 2020:

23                           1. to the accumulation funds of the State Retirement and  
24 Pension System an amount, up to a maximum of \$50,000,000, that is equal to one–half of  
25 the amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second  
26 preceding fiscal year exceeds \$10,000,000; and

27                           2. to the Account equal to the amount by which the  
28 unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year  
29 exceeds \$10,000,000, less the amount of the appropriation under item 1 of this item;

30                   (iii) for fiscal year 2021, to the Account in the amount of  
31 \$291,439,149;

32                   (iv) except as provided in item (v) of this paragraph, for fiscal year  
33 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter:



1                   1.       to the accumulation funds of the State Retirement and  
2 Pension System an amount, up to a maximum of \$25,000,000, that is equal to one-quarter  
3 of the amount by which the unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the  
4 second preceding fiscal year exceeds \$10,000,000;

5                   2.       to the Postretirement Health Benefits Trust Fund  
6 established under § 34–101 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article an amount, up to  
7 a maximum of \$25,000,000, that is equal to one-quarter of the amount by which the  
8 unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year  
9 exceeds \$10,000,000; and

10                  3.       to the Account equal to the amount by which the  
11 unappropriated General Fund surplus as of June 30 of the second preceding fiscal year  
12 exceeds \$10,000,000, less the amount of the appropriations under items 1 and 2 of this item;  
13 and

14                   (v)     for fiscal year 2024:

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

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

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

27                  (2)     The appropriation required under this subsection for any fiscal year  
28 may be reduced by the amount of any appropriation to the Account required to be included  
29 for that fiscal year under subsection (e) of this section.

30                   **(3)     THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN APPROPRIATION UNDER THIS**  
31 **SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY IN FISCAL YEAR 2025.**

## 32                                   Article – State Government

33     9–101.

34                  (a)     In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

35                  (b)     “Agency” means the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency.

1 (d) “Director” means the Director of the Agency.

2 (g) “Licensed agent” means a person or governmental unit licensed by the  
3 Director to act as a State lottery sales agent.

4 9–117.

5 (a) (1) A licensed agent shall receive regular commissions of [6%] **5.5%** of the  
6 licensed agent’s gross receipts from ticket sales.

7 (2) A licensed agent may further receive a cashing fee not to exceed [3%]  
8 **2%** of valid prizes paid for services rendered in cashing winning tickets.

### 9 Article – Transportation

10 7–101.

11 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

12 (b) “Administration” means the Maryland Transit Administration.

13 7–205.

14 (e) (1) For each of fiscal years 2020 through 2022, the Governor shall include  
15 in the State budget an appropriation for the capital needs of the Administration of at least  
16 \$29,100,000 from the revenues available for the State capital program in the  
17 Transportation Trust Fund.

18 (2) Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, the Governor shall include  
19 in the State budget an appropriation for the state of good repair needs of the Administration  
20 in the following amounts from the revenues available for the State capital program in the  
21 Transportation Trust Fund:

22 (i) For fiscal year 2023, at least \$402,037,183;

23 (ii) For fiscal year 2024, at least \$502,081,501;

24 (iii) For fiscal year 2025, at least [~~\$450,000,000~~] **\$439,013,282**;

25 (iv) For fiscal year 2026, at least \$450,000,000;

26 (v) For fiscal year 2027, at least \$450,000,000;

27 (vi) For fiscal year 2028, at least \$450,000,000; and

28 (vii) For fiscal year 2029, at least \$318,558,000.

1 7-406.

2 (c) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, beginning in  
3 fiscal year [2023, the Administration may not enter into a contract to purchase buses for]  
4 **2025, AT LEAST 25% OF** the Administration's State transit bus fleet [that are not]  
5 **PURCHASES SHALL BE** zero-emission buses.

6 (2) If the Administration determines that [no available zero-emission bus  
7 meets the performance requirements for a particular use] **A SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF**  
8 **ZERO-EMISSION BUSES OR NECESSARY ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY EQUIPMENT**  
9 **THAT MEET THE ADMINISTRATION'S PERFORMANCE AND CONTRACTUAL**  
10 **REQUIREMENTS ARE NOT COMMERCIALY AVAILABLE IN A PARTICULAR YEAR,** the  
11 Administration may purchase [an alternative-fuel bus for that use] **CLEAN DIESEL BUSES**  
12 **TO ENSURE THAT AN APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF BUSES ARE PURCHASED EACH YEAR**  
13 **TO MAINTAIN THE STATE TRANSIT BUS FLEET.**

14 8-403.

15 (b) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, capital grants shall be appropriated  
16 from the Transportation Trust Fund as provided in § 3-216 of this article based on the  
17 following calculations:

18 (1) For fiscal year 2024:

19 (i) An amount equal to 9.5% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
20 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to Baltimore City;

21 (ii) An amount equal to 3.7% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
22 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to the counties to be distributed as  
23 provided in § 8-404 of this subtitle; and

24 (iii) An amount equal to 2.4% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
25 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to the municipalities to be  
26 distributed as provided in § 8-405 of this subtitle;

27 (2) For fiscal year 2025:

28 (i) An amount equal to 11% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
29 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to Baltimore City;

30 (ii) An amount equal to 4.3% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
31 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to the counties to be distributed as  
32 provided in § 8-404 of this subtitle; and

33 (iii) An amount equal to 2.7% of funds credited to the Gasoline and

1 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to the municipalities to be  
2 distributed as provided in § 8–405 of this subtitle; **AND**

3 (3) [For fiscal year 2026:

4 (i) An amount equal to 12.2% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
5 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to Baltimore City;

6 (ii) An amount equal to 4.8% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
7 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to the counties to be distributed as  
8 provided in § 8–404 of this subtitle; and

9 (iii) An amount equal to 3.0% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
10 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to the municipalities to be  
11 distributed as provided in § 8–405 of this subtitle;

12 (4) For fiscal year 2027:

13 (i) An amount equal to 12.2% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
14 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to Baltimore City;

15 (ii) An amount equal to 4.8% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
16 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to the counties to be distributed as  
17 provided in § 8–404 of this subtitle; and

18 (iii) An amount equal to 3.0% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
19 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to the municipalities to be  
20 distributed as provided in § 8–405 of this subtitle; and

21 (5) For fiscal year ~~[2028]~~ **2026** and each fiscal year thereafter:

22 (i) An amount equal to 9.5% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
23 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to Baltimore City;

24 (ii) An amount equal to 3.7% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
25 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to the counties to be distributed as  
26 provided in § 8–404 of this subtitle; and

27 (iii) An amount equal to 2.4% of funds credited to the Gasoline and  
28 Motor Vehicle Revenue Account shall be appropriated to the municipalities to be  
29 distributed as provided in § 8–405 of this subtitle.

30 11–101.

31 In the Maryland Vehicle Law, the following words have the meanings indicated,  
32 unless the context requires otherwise.

1 11-102.

2 “Administration” means the Motor Vehicle Administration.

3 11-103.

4 “Administrator” means the Motor Vehicle Administrator.

5 13-410.

6 (e) (1) During subsequent registration years, the Administrator may order the  
7 continued use of registration plates that are valid during any current registration year[,  
8 and, after so doing, the Administrator shall issue, at the time a vehicle’s registration is  
9 renewed, a validation tab to evidence payment of the vehicle’s annual registration fee].

10 (2) [The tab shall be displayed on the plates of the vehicle in the manner  
11 that the Administrator requires.

12 (3)] The Administrator from time to time shall evaluate the condition of  
13 registration plates issued under this title and may provide for the manufacture and  
14 issuance of new registration plates. These new registration plates shall be issued [and  
15 subsequently validated] in the manner required by this subtitle.

16 13-411.

17 (d) Except as otherwise expressly permitted by the Maryland Vehicle Law, as to  
18 any vehicle required to be registered under this title, a person may not drive the vehicle on  
19 any highway in this State, unless there is attached to the vehicle and displayed on it, as  
20 required in this title[:

21 (1) A], A registration plate or plates issued for the vehicle by the  
22 Administration for the current registration period[; and

23 (2) Any validation tab issued for the vehicle under this subtitle].

24 (e) Except as otherwise expressly permitted by the Maryland Vehicle Law, as to  
25 any vehicle required to be registered under this title, the owner of the vehicle may not  
26 permit the vehicle to be driven on any highway in this State, unless there is attached to  
27 and displayed on the vehicle, as required in this title[:

28 (1) A], A registration plate or plates issued by the Administration for the  
29 current registration period[; and

30 (2) Any validation tab issued for the vehicle under this subtitle].

31 13-412.

1 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, [unless current validation  
2 tabs have been issued by the Administration and are displayed on the plates as provided  
3 in this subtitle,] the registration and the registration plates issued under this title [for  
4 them] expire at midnight on the dates indicated on the registration card issued by the  
5 Administration.

6 (b) (1) The Administration may issue a temporary authorization certificate  
7 permitting a vehicle to be driven [pending the issuance of current validation tabs].

8 (c) The Administration shall adopt rules and regulations to govern the issuance,  
9 display, and expiration of registrations, registration cards, registration plates, AND  
10 temporary authorization certificates[, and validation tabs].

11 13-413.

12 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subtitle, the Administration may  
13 adopt a system of multiyear registration.

14 (b) Vehicle registration plates [or validation tabs] shall be issued and displayed  
15 in accordance with a schedule established by the Administrator.

16 13-415.

17 (a) If a current registration card [or current validation tabs that never have been  
18 affixed to registration plates are] **IS** lost, the owner of the vehicle for which the card [or  
19 tabs were] **WAS** issued or the legal representative of the owner named in the certificate of  
20 title of the vehicle, as shown by the records of the Administration, immediately shall apply  
21 for and, after furnishing information satisfactory to the Administration and payment of the  
22 required fee, is entitled to obtain a duplicate registration card [or replacement validation  
23 tabs].

24 (b) If a current registration card [or current validation tabs that never have been  
25 affixed to registration plates are] **IS** stolen, the owner of the vehicle for which the card [or  
26 tabs were] **WAS** issued or the legal representative of the owner named in the certificate of  
27 title, as shown by the records of the Administration, immediately shall apply for and, after  
28 furnishing information satisfactory to the Administration and payment of the required fee,  
29 is entitled to obtain a duplicate registration card [or replacement validation tabs].

30 (c) If a current registration card [or current validation tabs that never have been  
31 affixed to registration plates are] **IS** damaged to the extent that the registration card [or  
32 validation tabs are] **IS** illegible, the owner of the vehicle for which the card [or tabs were]  
33 **WAS** issued or the legal representative of the owner named in the certificate of title, as  
34 shown by the records of the Administration, immediately shall apply for and, after  
35 furnishing information satisfactory to the Administration and payment of the required fee,

1 is entitled to obtain a duplicate registration card [or replacement validation tabs].

2 (g) Within 48 hours after the loss, theft, or damage to the extent of illegibility of  
3 any current registration plate [or any current validation tab that has been affixed to a  
4 registration plate], the owner of the vehicle for which the plate [or tab] was issued or the  
5 legal representative of the owner named in the certificate of title of the vehicle, as shown  
6 by the records of the Administration, shall notify the Administration and apply for  
7 replacement registration plates[,] AND a replacement registration card[, and replacement  
8 validation tabs]. The Administration shall supply the replacements on receiving  
9 information satisfactory to it and payment of the required fee.

10 (h) On receipt of the replacements, the original registration card and all of the  
11 original registration plates [and validation tabs] issued for that vehicle shall be  
12 surrendered to the Administration.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 24–204(d) of Article  
14 – Education of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

15 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 10–748 of Article –  
16 Tax – General of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

17 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other  
18 provision of law, and unless inconsistent with a federal law, grant agreement, or other  
19 federal requirement, or with the terms of a gift or settlement agreement, for fiscal years  
20 2024 through 2028, net interest on all State money allocated by the State Treasurer under  
21 § 6–226 of the State Finance and Procurement Article to special funds or accounts, and  
22 otherwise entitled to receive interest earnings, as accounted for by the Comptroller, shall  
23 accrue to the General Fund of the State, with the exception of the following funds:

24 (1) Maryland Housing Loan Funds of 1976, 1978, 1979, and 1984;

25 (2) Microsoft Cost Share Fund;

26 (3) Subsequent Injury Fund;

27 (4) Uninsured Employers' Fund;

28 (5) Energy Overcharge Restitution Fund;

29 (6) PEPCO/Connectiv Settlement Fund;

30 (7) Baseball Capital Improvements Fund;

31 (8) State Victims of Crime Fund;

32 (9) Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund;

- 1 (10) Victim and Witness Protection and Relocation Fund;
- 2 (11) Unclaimed Restitution – Victims of Crime;
- 3 (12) Justice Assistance Grant;
- 4 (13) Byrne Justice Assistance Grant;
- 5 (14) Scriven Estate Fund;
- 6 (15) Volunteer Company Assistance Fund;
- 7 (16) Radoff Memorial Fund;
- 8 (17) Archives Endowment Account within the Archives Fund;
- 9 (18) Ellefson Endowment Fund;
- 10 (19) Albert C. Ritchie Memorial Fund;
- 11 (20) Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program Fund;
- 12 (21) State Employees and Retirees Health and Welfare Benefits Fund;
- 13 (22) State Retirement Agency Funds;
- 14 (23) Postretirement Health Benefits Trust Fund;
- 15 (24) Maryland Emergency Medical System Operations Fund;
- 16 (25) Community Services Trust Fund;
- 17 (26) Waiting List Equity Fund;
- 18 (27) Health Care Coverage Fund;
- 19 (28) Health Services Cost Review Commission Fund;
- 20 (29) Hospital Uncompensated Care Fund;
- 21 (30) funds in the accounts of Morgan State University;
- 22 (31) funds in the accounts of St. Mary's College of Maryland;
- 23 (32) funds in the accounts of the University System of Maryland;



- 1 (33) Maryland Prepaid College Trust Fund;
- 2 (34) Nurse Support Program Assistance Fund;
- 3 (35) funds in the accounts of the Baltimore City Community College;
- 4 (36) Education Trust Fund;
- 5 (37) Section 8 construction and administration funds administered by the  
6 Department of Housing and Community Development;
- 7 (38) MacArthur Grant Fund;
- 8 (39) Maryland Water Quality Revolving Loan Fund;
- 9 (40) Maryland Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund;
- 10 (41) Bay Restoration Fund;
- 11 (42) Strategic Energy Investment Fund;
- 12 (43) Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund;
- 13 (44) 50% of the interest from the 9–1–1 Trust Fund;
- 14 (45) all accounts within the State Reserve Fund;
- 15 (46) local revenue accounts collected by the Judiciary;
- 16 (47) Assistive Technology Loan Fund;
- 17 (48) Transportation Trust Fund;
- 18 (49) Maryland Innovation Initiative Fund;
- 19 (50) Family Security Trust Fund, subject to § 7–4A–03(d) of the Health  
20 Occupations Article;
- 21 (51) the Baltimore City Public School Construction Facilities Fund;
- 22 (52) the Baltimore City Public School Construction Financing Fund;
- 23 (53) the Prekindergarten Expansion Fund;
- 24 (54) the Innovation Investment Fund;
- 25 (55) the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Fund;

- 1 (56) the Maryland Energy Innovation Fund;
- 2 (57) the Blueprint for Maryland's Future Fund;
- 3 (58) the School Construction Revolving Loan Fund;
- 4 (59) the Supplemental Facilities Fund;
- 5 (60) the Prince George's County Public-Private Partnership Fund;
- 6 (61) the Zero-Emission Vehicle School Bus Transition Fund;
- 7 (62) the Pedestrian Safety Fund;
- 8 (63) the Racing and Community Development Financing Fund;
- 9 (64) the Racing and Community Development Facilities Fund;
- 10 (65) the Supplemental Public School Construction Facilities Fund;
- 11 (66) the Supplemental Public School Construction Financing Fund;
- 12 (67) the Nancy K. Kopp Public School Facilities Priority Fund;
- 13 (68) the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Reserve Fund;
- 14 (69) the Digital Connectivity Fund;
- 15 (70) the Maternal and Child Health Population Health Improvement Fund;
- 16 (71) the Hagerstown Multi-Use Sports and Events Facility Fund;
- 17 (72) the Resilient Maryland Revolving Loan Fund;
- 18 (73) the Health Equity Resource Community Reserve Fund;
- 19 (74) the Climate Catalytic Capital Fund;
- 20 (75) the Sports Entertainment Facilities Financing Fund;
- 21 (76) the Prince George's County Blue Line Corridor Facility Fund;
- 22 (77) the 9-8-8 Trust Fund;
- 23 (78) the Maryland AIDS Drug Assistance Program Fund;

- 1 (79) the Sustainable Maryland Program Fund;
- 2 (80) the Child Care Capital Support Revolving Loan Fund;
- 3 (81) the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund;
- 4 (82) the Community Reinvestment and Repair Fund;
- 5 (83) the Camden Yards Baseball Sports Facility Supplemental Financing  
6 Fund;
- 7 (84) the Camden Yards Football Sports Facility Supplemental Financing  
8 Fund;
- 9 (85) the Bus Rapid Transit Fund; and
- 10 (86) the Transit–Oriented Development Capital Grant and Revolving Loan  
11 Fund.

12 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other  
13 provision of law, on or before June 30, 2025, the Governor may transfer to the General Fund  
14 the following:

- 15 (1) \$40,000,000 from the reserve account established by the State to pay  
16 unemployment compensation benefits for State employees;
- 17 (2) \$5,750,000 from the Resilient Maryland Revolving Loan Fund  
18 established under § 14–110.4 of the Public Safety Article; and
- 19 (3) \$5,000,000 from the Maryland Pediatric Cancer Fund established  
20 under § 20–120 of the Health – General Article.

21 SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other  
22 provision of law, on or before June 30, 2025, the Governor may transfer to the Behavioral  
23 Health Administration the following:

- 24 (1) \$1,648,669 of the funds in the Board of Professional Counselors and  
25 Therapists Fund established under § 17–206 of the Health Occupations Article;
- 26 (2) \$776,646 of the funds in the State Board of Occupational Therapy  
27 Practice Fund established under § 10–206 of the Health Occupations Article; and
- 28 (3) \$588,771 of the funds in the State Board of Examiners for Psychologists  
29 Fund established under § 18–207 of the Health Occupations Article.

30 SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other  
31 provision of law, on or before June 30, 2025, the Governor may transfer \$216,845 from the

1 Health Information Exchange Fund established under § 19–143 of the Health – General  
2 Article to the Medical Programs Administration to support information technology  
3 activities.

4 SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other  
5 provision of law, on or before June 30, 2025, the Governor may transfer to the General Fund  
6 \$193,830,236 from the Dedicated Purpose Account established under § 7–310 of the State  
7 Finance and Procurement Article, including:

8 (1) \$149,500,476 for cybersecurity;

9 (2) \$28,884,000 in capital pay-as-you-go funds for renovations to 2100  
10 Guilford Avenue and the adjacent parking structure;

11 (3) \$9,090,000 in capital pay-as-you-go funds for the Maryland  
12 Department of Emergency Management Headquarters Renovation and Expansion project  
13 at the Camp Fretterd Military Reservation in Reisterstown;

14 (4) \$6,000,000 in capital pay-as-you-go funds for Conowingo Dam  
15 dredging; and

16 (5) \$355,760 in other miscellaneous operating expenses.

17 SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

18 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, on or before June 30, 2025, the  
19 Governor may transfer up to \$90,000,000 of the funds in the Strategic Energy Investment  
20 Fund established under § 9–20B–05 of the State Government Article to the Dedicated  
21 Purpose Account established under § 7–310 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

22 (b) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the funds transferred from  
23 the Strategic Energy Investment Fund in accordance with subsection (a) of this section may  
24 be used to support the implementation of the Climate Solutions Act of 2022 and Maryland’s  
25 Climate Pollution Reduction Plan.

26 (2) At least 50% of the funds transferred from the Strategic Energy  
27 Investment Fund shall be given to programs that support low- to moderate-income  
28 communities located in a census tract with an average median income at or below 80% of  
29 the average median income for the State or overburdened or underserved communities, as  
30 defined in § 1–701 of the Environment Article.

31 SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
32 June 1, 2024.