Chapter 166

(House Bill 209)

AN ACT concerning

State Finance and Procurement – Local Cybersecurity Preparedness and Response Plan and Assessment – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing a duplicative provision of law requiring certain local government entities to create or update a cybersecurity preparedness and response plan and complete a cybersecurity preparedness assessment; and generally relating to local cybersecurity preparedness and response.

BY repealing

Article – State Finance and Procurement Section 3.5–405 Annotated Code of Maryland (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

BY renumbering

Article – State Finance and Procurement Section 3.5–406 and 3.5–407 to be Section 3.5–405 and 3.5–406, respectively Annotated Code of Maryland (2021 Replacement Volume and 2024 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

[3.5-405.

- (a) This section does not apply to municipal governments.
- (b) In a manner and frequency established in regulations adopted by the Department, each county government, local school system, and local health department shall in consultation with the local emergency manager, create or update a cybersecurity preparedness and response plan and complete a cybersecurity preparedness assessment.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 3.5–406 and 3.5–407 of Article – State Finance and Procurement of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 3.5–405 and 3.5–406, respectively.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

Approved by the Governor, April 22, 2025.