

HOUSE BILL 147

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By: **Delegate Guzzone**

Requested: October 16, 2025

Introduced and read first time: January 14, 2026

Assigned to: Government, Labor, and Elections

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Nonprofit Organizations Navigator – Termination Provision – Repeal**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a termination provision relating to provisions of law
4 establishing a nonprofit organizations navigator within the Department of
5 Commerce; and generally relating to the nonprofit organizations navigator.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

7 Article – Economic Development

8 Section 2.5–110

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

12 Chapter 314 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025

13 Section 6

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

15 Chapter 315 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025

16 Section 6

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article – Economic Development**

20 2.5–110.

21 (a) There is a nonprofit organizations navigator in the Department.

22 (b) The Secretary shall designate the navigator.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



(c) The navigator shall:

(1) provide technical assistance to nonprofit organizations in obtaining access to and applying for State grant programs;

4 (2) work with nonprofit organizations and units of State government to
5 resolve procedural complexities and delays in State grant-making processes;

6 (3) collect and share information on opportunities for federal, State, and
7 local grants with nonprofit organizations; and

(4) represent nonprofit organizations' interests and concerns as a member of the Maryland Efficient Grant Application Council established under § 2-209 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

Chapter 314 of the Acts of 2025

12 SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section
13 4 of this Act, this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation
14 of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by
15 three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly,
16 and shall take effect from the date it is enacted. [It shall remain effective through June 30,
17 2027, and, at the end of June 30, 2027, this Act, with no further action required by the
18 General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

Chapter 315 of the Acts of 2025

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section 4 of this Act, this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted. [It shall remain effective through June 30, 2027, and, at the end of June 30, 2027, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
28 1, 2026.