

# HOUSE BILL 640

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## ENROLLED BILL

— Government, Labor, and Elections/Education, Energy, and the Environment —

Introduced by **Chair, Government, Labor, and Elections Committee (By Request – Departmental – Budget and Management)**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Speaker.

### CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

### 2 **Mandated Reports, Boards, and Commissions – Revisions**

3 FOR the purpose of modifying certain reporting requirements, boards, and commissions for  
4 practicability and efficiency; repealing certain reporting requirements that are  
5 unnecessary, obsolete, or duplicative; repealing as obsolete the Renewable Fuels  
6 Incentive Board, Criminal Justice Information Advisory Board, Two-Generation  
7 Family Economic Security Commission, and Commission on Trauma-Informed  
8 Care; ~~repealing as obsolete the Just Transition and Retraining Working Group,  
9 Energy Industry Revitalization Working Group, Energy Resilience and Efficiency  
10 Working Group, and Solar Photovoltaic Systems Recovery, Reuse, and Recycling  
11 Working Group in the Commission on Climate Change~~; repealing as unnecessary the  
12 Partnership for Workforce Quality Advisory Board; repealing as unnecessary the  
13 requirement that the Maryland Department of Health report on certain activities of

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#### 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.

*Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.*



1 the Department relating to the hepatitis B virus and the hepatitis C virus; and  
 2 generally relating to mandated reports, boards, and commissions.

3 BY repealing

4 Article – Criminal Procedure

5 Section 10–201(b); and 10–207 through 10–210 and the part “Part II. Criminal  
 6 Justice Information Advisory Board”

7 Annotated Code of Maryland

8 (2025 Replacement Volume)

9 BY repealing

10 Article – Economic Development

11 Section 3–408 through 3–410

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

14 ~~BY repealing~~

15 ~~Article – Environment~~

16 ~~Section 2–1303.1 through 2–1303.4~~

17 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

18 ~~(2013 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)~~

19 BY repealing

20 Article – Health – General

21 Section 7.5–802(c)(5), 18–204(b)(6), 18–1002, 20–1004(22), *and* 20–1007(c), ~~and~~

22 ~~21–330.1(h)~~

23 Annotated Code of Maryland

24 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

25 BY repealing

26 Article – Human Services

27 Section 2–501 through 2–506 and the subtitle “Subtitle 5. Two–Generation Family  
 28 Economic Security Commission”; and 8–1301 through 8–1310 and the subtitle

29 “Subtitle 13. Trauma–Informed Care”

30 Annotated Code of Maryland

31 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

32 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

33 Article – Agriculture

34 Section 10–1501 and 10–1504 through 10–1507

35 Annotated Code of Maryland

36 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

37 BY repealing

38 Article – Agriculture

39 Section 10–1503

40 Annotated Code of Maryland

- 1 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 2 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 3 Article – Correctional Services
- 4 Section 3–525
- 5 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 6 (2025 Replacement Volume)
  
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 8 Article – Criminal Procedure
- 9 Section 10–201(a) and 10–213(a)
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2025 Replacement Volume)
  
- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 13 Article – Criminal Procedure
- 14 Section 10–213(b)(2)
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (2025 Replacement Volume)
  
- 17 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 18 Article – Economic Development
- 19 Section 3–201(a) and (b), 3–203(a) and (b), and 5–2601(a) and (b)
- 20 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 21 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
  
- 22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 23 Article – Economic Development
- 24 Section 3–203(c), 3–401, 5–2603(a), 5–2605, 5–2606, and 5–2608
- 25 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 26 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
  
- 27 BY repealing
- 28 Article – Education
- 29 Section 5–111.1
- 30 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 31 (2025 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
  
- 32 BY adding to
- 33 Article – Education
- 34 Section 5–111.1
- 35 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 36 (2025 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
  
- 37 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 38 Article – Education
- 39 Section 7–1A–02(a) and 7–506

- 1 Annotated Code of Maryland  
2 (2025 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 3 BY repealing  
4 Article – Election Law  
5 Section 3–204(j)  
6 Annotated Code of Maryland  
7 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article – Environment  
10 Section ~~2–1303(a)~~, 4–708, and 5–1104(b)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
14 Article – Environment  
15 Section 5–1104(a)  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 18 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
19 Article – Family Law  
20 Section 5–706(a)  
21 Annotated Code of Maryland  
22 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 23 BY repealing  
24 Article – Family Law  
25 Section 5–706(l)  
26 Annotated Code of Maryland  
27 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 28 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
29 Article – Health – General  
30 Section 7.5–802(a)(1) and (c)(1), 13–4502(a), 19–101, 19–1409(a), ~~and 21–330.1(f)~~  
31 and 24–1708(a)  
32 Annotated Code of Maryland  
33 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 34 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
35 Article – Health – General  
36 Section 13–706, 13–4502(b), 19–134(f)(2)(ii), 19–1409(b), 20–1004(23) and (24),  
37 20–1006, ~~and 21–330.1(i)~~ and 24–1708(g)  
38 Annotated Code of Maryland  
39 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

1 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
2 Article – Housing and Community Development  
3 Section 4–2101(a) and (c)  
4 Annotated Code of Maryland  
5 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
7 Article – Housing and Community Development  
8 Section 4–2104 and 4–2105  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article – Human Services  
13 Section 2–301  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)  
16 (As enacted by Chapter 460 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2020)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
18 Article – Human Services  
19 Section 7–302  
20 Annotated Code of Maryland  
21 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
23 Article – Human Services  
24 Section 7–303(a)(1)  
25 Annotated Code of Maryland  
26 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

27 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
28 Article – Natural Resources  
29 Section 5–210.1(c)(1) and 10–202.1  
30 Annotated Code of Maryland  
31 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

32 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
33 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
34 Section 14–410(b)(1)  
35 Annotated Code of Maryland  
36 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

37 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
38 Article – State Finance and Procurement  
39 Section 14–410(b)(2)  
40 Annotated Code of Maryland

- 1 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 2 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
3 Article – State Government  
4 Section 2–10A–15(j) and 9–3203(a)  
5 Annotated Code of Maryland  
6 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
8 Article – State Government  
9 Section 9–3202  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
13 Article – Tax – General  
14 Section 10–738(b)(1), 10–739(b)(1), and 10–752(b)(1)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
18 Article – Tax – General  
19 Section 10–738(d), 10–739(e), and 10–752(e)  
20 Annotated Code of Maryland  
21 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 22 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
23 Article – Transportation  
24 Section 2–606(a)  
25 Annotated Code of Maryland  
26 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 27 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
28 Article – Transportation  
29 Section 2–606(b)  
30 Annotated Code of Maryland  
31 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 32 BY repealing  
33 Chapter 2 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the 2007 Special Session  
34 Section 13
- 35 BY renumbering  
36 Article – Criminal Procedure  
37 Section 10–201(c) through (h)  
38 to be Section 10–201(b) through (g), respectively  
39 Annotated Code of Maryland

1 (2025 Replacement Volume)

2 BY renumbering

3 Article – Family Law

4 Section 5–706(m) through (u)

5 to be Section 5–706(l) through (t), respectively

6 Annotated Code of Maryland

7 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

8 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
9 That Section(s) 10–207 through 10–210 and the part “Part II. Criminal Justice Information  
10 Advisory Board” of Article – Criminal Procedure of the Annotated Code of Maryland be  
11 repealed.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 3–408 through  
13 3–410 of Article – Economic Development of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

14 ~~SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 2–1303.1 through~~  
15 ~~2–1303.4 of Article – Environment of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.~~

16 SECTION ~~4~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 18–1002 of  
17 Article – Health – General of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

18 SECTION ~~5~~ 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 2–501 through  
19 2–506 and the subtitle “Subtitle 5. Two–Generation Family Economic Security  
20 Commission” of Article – Human Services of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

21 SECTION ~~6~~ 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 8–1301 through  
22 8–1310 and the subtitle “Subtitle 13. Trauma–Informed Care” of Article – Human Services  
23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.

24 SECTION ~~7~~ 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read  
25 as follows:

26 **Article – Agriculture**

27 10–1501.

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

29 (b) “Biodiesel” means an alternative motor fuel produced from a renewable  
30 resource such as vegetable oil or animal fat.

31 [(c) “Board” means the Renewable Fuels Incentive Board.]

32 [(d)] (C) “Ethanol” means fermented ethyl alcohol derived from agricultural or  
33 forest products.

1            [(e)] (D)        (1)        “Small grains” means a winter grain crop.

2                            (2)        “Small grains” includes wheat, rye, triticale, oats, and hulled or  
3 hull-less barley.

4 [10–1503.

5            (a)        There is a Renewable Fuels Incentive Board.

6            (b)        The Board consists of four members as follows:

7                            (1)        The Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary’s designee;

8                            (2)        The Secretary of Commerce or the Secretary’s designee;

9                            (3)        The Secretary of the Environment or the Secretary’s designee; and

10                           (4)        The Director of the Maryland Energy Administration or the Director’s  
11 designee.

12            (c)        (1)        The Secretary of Agriculture or the Secretary’s designee shall serve as  
13 the Chair of the Board.

14                            (2)        The Department of Agriculture, the Department of Commerce, and the  
15 Maryland Department of the Environment jointly shall provide staff support for the Board.

16            (d)        The Board shall review credit certification applications and pay credits under  
17 this subtitle.]

18 10–1504.

19            (a)        To be eligible for credits under this subtitle, an ethanol or biodiesel producer  
20 shall apply to the [Board] DEPARTMENT for certification on an application provided by  
21 the [Board] DEPARTMENT.

22            (b)        An applicant shall show in the application to the satisfaction of the [Board]  
23 DEPARTMENT:

24                            (1)        That the applicant will construct or operate a facility capable of  
25 producing ethanol or biodiesel;

26                            (2)        That the applicant will invest or has invested substantial resources in  
27 the State in connection with the facility;

28                            (3)        That the facility will constitute a permanent fixture in the State;

1 (4) For an ethanol production facility, information demonstrating:

2 (i) The production capacity of the facility; and

3 (ii) The quantity and availability of small grains and other suitable  
4 agricultural products in the vicinity of the production facility that may be used by the  
5 facility;

6 (5) For a biodiesel production facility, information demonstrating:

7 (i) The production capacity of the facility; and

8 (ii) The quantity and availability of soybean oil and other suitable  
9 bio-based oils in the vicinity of the production facility that may be used by the facility;

10 (6) Information demonstrating:

11 (i) The availability and cost of energy sufficient to operate the  
12 facility;

13 (ii) The availability of sufficient water and waste disposal systems  
14 for the facility;

15 (iii) The availability of sufficient labor and a qualified site manager  
16 for the facility; and

17 (iv) That the facility will meet all State and federal environmental  
18 standards;

19 (7) Any proposed marketing agreements for the ethanol or biodiesel  
20 products;

21 (8) A plan to give farmers in the State the opportunity to invest in the  
22 facility; and

23 (9) That the applicant will meet any other requirement established by the  
24 [Board] DEPARTMENT.

25 (c) The [Board] DEPARTMENT shall:

26 (1) Review each application submitted under this subtitle;

27 (2) Approve or deny the application within 60 days of receipt of the  
28 application; and

1 (3) For an approved application, certify the producer as eligible for a credit  
2 in an amount that is:

3 (i) Based on the production capacity of the facility, as determined  
4 by the Board; and

5 (ii) Consistent with subsection (d) of this section.

6 (d) (1) The [Board] DEPARTMENT may not certify ethanol production credits  
7 for more than a total of 15,000,000 gallons per calendar year, of which at least 10,000,000  
8 gallons shall be produced from small grains.

9 (2) The [Board] DEPARTMENT may not certify biodiesel production  
10 credits for more than a total of 5,000,000 gallons per calendar year, of which at least  
11 2,000,000 gallons shall be from soybean oil produced:

12 (i) In a facility that began operating after December 31, 2004; or

13 (ii) Under the expanded capacity of a facility, the expansion of which  
14 occurred after December 31, 2004.

15 (e) (1) If eligible, a producer may apply to the [Board] DEPARTMENT for  
16 certification for additional credits if the producer increases the production capacity of the  
17 facility.

18 (2) If a facility does not achieve its certified production capacity for 2  
19 consecutive years, the [Board] DEPARTMENT may revise the stated production capacity  
20 of the facility and the corresponding credit certification of the producer to reflect actual  
21 production.

22 (f) An application submitted to the [Board] DEPARTMENT under this section is  
23 not subject to disclosure under the Maryland Public Information Act.

24 10-1505.

25 (a) (1) The [Board] DEPARTMENT may pay credits as calculated under this  
26 section to certified producers of ethanol or biodiesel in the State for ethanol or biodiesel  
27 produced on or after December 31, 2007.

28 (2) (i) For the purposes of this subtitle, a person that holds a controlling  
29 interest in more than one ethanol production facility is considered to be a single ethanol  
30 producer.

31 (ii) For the purposes of this subtitle, a person that holds a controlling  
32 interest in more than one biodiesel production facility is considered to be a single biodiesel  
33 producer.

1 (b) (1) For an ethanol producer, a credit may not exceed the maximum amount  
2 certified by the [Board] **DEPARTMENT** and shall be:

3 (i) 20 cents per gallon of ethanol produced from small grains; and

4 (ii) 5 cents per gallon of ethanol produced from other agricultural  
5 products.

6 (2) For a biodiesel producer, a credit may not exceed the maximum amount  
7 certified by the [Board] **DEPARTMENT** and shall be:

8 (i) 20 cents per gallon of biodiesel produced from soybean oil  
9 produced:

10 1. In a facility that began operating after December 31, 2004;  
11 or

12 2. Under the expanded capacity of a facility, the expansion of  
13 which occurred after December 31, 2004; and

14 (ii) 5 cents per gallon of biodiesel produced from other feedstock,  
15 including soybean oil produced in a facility that began operating on or before December 31,  
16 2004.

17 (c) The [Board] **DEPARTMENT** may not pay a credit for ethanol or biodiesel  
18 produced after December 31, 2017.

19 10–1506.

20 (a) After February 1, 2008, to receive a credit payment a certified ethanol or  
21 biodiesel producer shall file a claim with the [Board] **DEPARTMENT** by the end of January,  
22 April, July, and October of each year.

23 (b) A claim filed under this section shall state:

24 (1) (i) The producer's total ethanol production in the State during the  
25 previous quarter, categorized by ethanol produced from small grains and ethanol produced  
26 from other agricultural products; or

27 (ii) The producer's total biodiesel production in Maryland during the  
28 previous quarter, categorized by biodiesel produced from:

29 1. Soybean oil produced in a facility that began operating  
30 after December 31, 2004, or under the expanded capacity of a facility, the expansion of  
31 which occurred after December 31, 2004; and



1 (b) To implement this subtitle, the [Board] **DEPARTMENT:**

2 (1) Shall maximize the use of federal funds or matching programs to the  
3 extent possible; and

4 (2) May solicit and accept grants or donations from State, local, or private  
5 entities.

### 6 **Article – Correctional Services**

7 3–525.

8 The Customer Council shall consist of the following [11] **10** members:

9 (1) the Chief Executive Officer;

10 (2) one representative from each of the following State agencies, appointed  
11 by the Secretary of the respective agency:

12 (i) the Department of Budget and Management;

13 (ii) [the Department of Commerce;

14 (iii)] the Department of General Services;

15 [(iv)] **(III)** the Maryland Department of Health;

16 [(v)] **(IV)** the Department of Human Services;

17 [(vi)] **(V)** the Department of Transportation; and

18 [(vii)] **(VI)** the Maryland Higher Education Commission; and

19 (3) three customers recommended by the Chief Executive Officer and  
20 appointed by the Governor.

### 21 **Article – Criminal Procedure**

22 10–201.

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

24 [(b) “Advisory Board” means the Criminal Justice Information Advisory Board.]

25 10–213.

1 (a) There is a Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository in the  
2 Department.

3 (b) The Secretary:

4 (2) shall operate the Central Repository [with the advice of the Advisory  
5 Board].

### 6 Article – Economic Development

7 3–201.

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

9 (b) “Advisory Board” means the Maryland Life Sciences Advisory Board.

10 3–203.

11 (a) The Advisory Board consists of the following 18 members:

12 (1) the Secretary or the Secretary’s designee;

13 (2) the Executive Director of the Corporation, or the Executive Director’s  
14 designee; and

15 (3) the following members appointed by the Governor:

16 (i) three representing federal agencies located in the State with life  
17 sciences missions;

18 (ii) seven with executive experience in life sciences businesses  
19 located in the State, at least four of whom represent small businesses;

20 (iii) four representing institutions of higher education located in the  
21 State, one of whom shall represent a community college;

22 (iv) one with general business marketing experience in a life sciences  
23 business located in the State; and

24 (v) one member of the general public.

25 (b) The composition of the Advisory Board shall reflect the racial and gender  
26 diversity of the population of the State.

1 (c) (1) Except for the Secretary or the Secretary's designee and the Executive  
2 Director of the Corporation or the Executive Director's designee, the term of an Advisory  
3 Board member is ~~[2]~~ **3** years.

4 (2) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is  
5 appointed and qualifies.

6 (3) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the  
7 rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

8 **(4) THE TERMS OF THE APPOINTED MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS**  
9 **REQUIRED BY THE TERMS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY BOARD ON**  
10 **JULY 1, 2026.**

11 3-401.

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

13 ~~[(b) "Board" means the Partnership for Workforce Quality Advisory Board.]~~

14 ~~[(c) (B) "Fund" means the Partnership for Workforce Quality Fund.~~

15 ~~[(d) (C) "Program" means the Partnership for Workforce Quality Program.~~

16 5-2601.

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

18 (b) "Commission" means the Maryland Aerospace and Technology Commission.

19 5-2603.

20 (a) The Commission consists of the following members:

21 (1) the Secretary, or the Secretary's designee;

22 (2) a member of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate, who  
23 shall serve as an ex officio nonvoting member;

24 (3) a member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the  
25 House, who shall serve as an ex officio nonvoting member;

26 (4) the Director of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's  
27 Goddard Space Flight Center, or the Director's designee, who shall serve as an ex officio  
28 nonvoting member;

1            [(5) the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric  
2 Administration, or the Administrator's designee, who shall serve as an ex officio nonvoting  
3 member;

4            (6) the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, or the Director's  
5 designee, who shall serve as an ex officio nonvoting member;]

6            [(7)] (5) the president of the Goddard Contractors' Association, or the  
7 president's designee;

8            [(8)] (6) the President of the University of Maryland Baltimore County,  
9 or the President's designee;

10           [(9)] (7) the President of the Southern Maryland Navy Alliance, or the  
11 President's designee;

12           [(10)] (8) the president of the Maryland Space Business Roundtable, or the  
13 president's designee;

14           [(11)] (9) the President of the University of Maryland, College Park, or the  
15 President's designee;

16           [(12)] (10) the director of the Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory, or  
17 the director's designee;

18           [(13)] (11) the director of the Association of Universities for Research in  
19 Astronomy, or the director's designee;

20           [(14)] (12) the director of the Space Telescope Science Institute, or the  
21 director's designee; and

22           [(15)] (13) the following members, appointed by the Governor with the  
23 advice and consent of the Senate:

24                    (i) a representative of institutions of higher education;

25                    (ii) a representative of the National Society of Black Engineers;

26                    (iii) [a representative] **TWO REPRESENTATIVES** of the Maryland  
27 aerospace manufacturing community; and

28                    (iv) [a representative] **TWO REPRESENTATIVES** of the aerospace  
29 technology industry.

1 The Commission shall:

2 (1) identify research and funding opportunities for entities in this State  
3 that:

4 (i) strengthen and enhance the State's leadership position in civil,  
5 commercial, and military aerospace research and development;

6 (ii) integrate the aerospace industry into the economy of the State;

7 (iii) capitalize, promote, and assist in the development of workforce  
8 training to further the development of emerging technologies required for all aspects of  
9 space exploration; and

10 (iv) develop public-private partnerships that advance both the  
11 State's aerospace industry and the surrounding community;

12 (2) establish advisory committees as needed;

13 (3) develop aerospace-related educational opportunities within the State  
14 in coordination with local educational institutions; and

15 (4) develop and annually [update] **REPORT ON PROGRESS IN**  
16 **IMPLEMENTING** a strategic plan developed in accordance with § 5-2606 of this subtitle to  
17 implement the goals of the Commission.

18 5-2606.

19 (a) The Commission shall:

20 (1) develop [and annually update] a strategic plan for the promotion of  
21 space, aeronautics, and aviation economic development in the State;

22 (2) **UPDATE THE STRATEGIC PLAN AT LEAST EVERY 5 YEARS; AND**

23 (3) **ANNUALLY REPORT ON PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING THE**  
24 **STRATEGIC PLAN.**

25 (b) The strategic plan [described] **DEVELOPED** under subsection (a) of this  
26 section shall include a list of potential projects that further the purposes of the Commission  
27 and, for each project, describe:

28 (1) the estimated total cost for completion; and

29 (2) an assessment of the availability of external funding sources.

1 (c) The strategic plan [described] **DEVELOPED** under subsection (a) of this  
 2 section may include any other information that the Commission determines to be relevant  
 3 to furthering the purposes of the Commission.

4 5–2608.

5 (a) On or before October 1 each year, the Commission shall submit a report to the  
 6 Governor, the Maryland Economic Development Commission, and, in accordance with §  
 7 2–1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

8 (b) The report shall include:

9 (1) a summary of the activities of the Commission during the preceding  
 10 fiscal year; [and]

11 (2) a current copy of the strategic plan developed under § 5–2606 of this  
 12 subtitle; **AND**

13 **(3) AN UPDATE ON PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING THE STRATEGIC**  
 14 **PLAN DEVELOPED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.**

#### 15 **Article – Education**

16 **[5–111.1.**

17 (a) In this section, “specialized intervention services” means services provided to  
 18 students in kindergarten through grade 3 who:

19 (1) Are not currently identified as needing special education or related  
 20 services under Title 8, Subtitle 4 of this article;

21 (2) Need additional academic and behavioral supports to succeed in a core  
 22 curriculum and differentiated instruction general education environment; and

23 (3) Receive additional academic and behavioral support in small groups or  
 24 individual settings at least 3 times each week for at least 90 minutes each week for a period  
 25 of at least 10 weeks during a school year.

26 (b) Beginning with the 2018–2019 school year, on or before December 1 each year,  
 27 each county board shall submit to the Department and, subject to § 2–1257 of the State  
 28 Government Article, the General Assembly a report for the prior school year on:

29 (1) The number of students who received specialized intervention services;

30 (2) The grades in which specialized intervention services were provided;

31 and

1 (3) The annual budget, including all federal, State, and local funds, for  
2 specialized intervention services, including screenings, evaluations, materials, professional  
3 development, and staffing.

4 (c) The Department shall establish guidelines for the report that each county  
5 board is required to submit under subsection (b) of this section.

6 (d) A county board shall publish annually on the county board's website the  
7 information submitted under subsection (b) of this section.

8 (e) The Department shall publish annually on the Department's website the  
9 information received under subsection (b) of this section.]

10 **5-111.1.**

11 (A) (1) **ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1 EACH YEAR, BEGINNING IN 2027,**  
12 **EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT A WRITTEN REPORT**  
13 **CONTAINING THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS THAT REQUIRE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT TO**  
14 **MEET GRADE 3 LITERACY PROFICIENCY.**

15 (2) **THE STATE BOARD MAY REQUIRE EACH COUNTY BOARD TO**  
16 **SUBMIT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IN THE WRITTEN REPORT REQUIRED UNDER**  
17 **PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, INCLUDING THE MANDATED ANNUAL**  
18 **REPORTING INFORMATION LISTED UNDER THE COMPREHENSIVE PREK-3**  
19 **LITERACY POLICY ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD.**

20 (B) (1) **ON OR BEFORE NOVEMBER 1 EACH YEAR, BEGINNING IN 2027,**  
21 **THE DEPARTMENT SHALL COMPILE AND REPORT THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED**  
22 **UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION TO THE GOVERNOR, THE STATE BOARD,**  
23 **AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE**  
24 **GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

25 (2) **THE REPORT SUBMITTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE**  
26 **MADE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.**

27 (C) **THE STATE BOARD MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS**  
28 **SECTION.**

29 **7-1A-02.**

30 (a) (1) A local department of social services or a local health department shall  
31 provide a parent or guardian with oral and written notice that their child may be eligible  
32 for publicly funded prekindergarten programs if the parent or guardian:

1 (i) Applied for economic services with the local department of social  
2 services or the local health department; and

3 (ii) Has a child who will be 3 or 4 years old by September 1 of the  
4 next academic year.

5 (2) The notice required under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall  
6 include:

7 (i) Contact information for the enrollment office of the local school  
8 system and the Division of Early Childhood Development in the Department; and

9 (ii) Information on the existence of the child care scholarship for  
10 before and after full-day prekindergarten programming and the possibility of eligibility for  
11 State aid.

12 (3) **(I)** On or before [December] **APRIL** 1 of each year, each local  
13 department of social services **SHALL REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN**  
14 **SERVICES** and each local health department shall report to the ~~General Assembly, in~~  
15 ~~accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article,~~ **MARYLAND DEPARTMENT**  
16 **OF HEALTH** on the number of parents who were given a notification **BEFORE SEPTEMBER**  
17 **1 OF THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR** and subsequently enrolled their child in a publicly  
18 funded prekindergarten program **IN THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR.**

19 **(II) ON OR BEFORE MAY 1 EACH YEAR, THE MARYLAND**  
20 **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN**  
21 **SERVICES, SHALL COMPILE THE INFORMATION REPORTED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH**  
22 **(I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH AND SUBMIT A SUMMARY REPORT TO THE GENERAL**  
23 **ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.**

24 7-506.

25 (a) The local education agency and the local health department shall identify  
26 funds from public and private agencies for development and implementation of the  
27 Program.

28 (b) [The Department shall submit an annual report to the Governor and, subject  
29 to § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly regarding the current  
30 status and effectiveness of the Programs established under this subtitle.

31 (c) The Governor shall include funds in the budget to carry out the provisions of  
32 this subtitle.

1 3-204.

2 [(j) On or before January 1, 2018, and January 1 each subsequent year, the  
3 Maryland Department of Labor shall submit a report, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the  
4 State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs  
5 Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee that describes:

6 (1) the efforts of the one-stop career centers to register voters under this  
7 section in the preceding calendar year; and

8 (2) any efforts the Department plans to make to improve the efficiency and  
9 effectiveness of the voter registration process at the one-stop career centers.]

### 10 Article – Environment

11 ~~2-1303.~~

12 ~~(a) The Commission shall establish:~~

13 ~~(1) A Scientific and Technical Working Group;~~

14 ~~(2) A Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Working Group;~~

15 ~~(3) An Adaptation and Response Working Group; AND~~

16 ~~(4) An Education, Communication, and Outreach Working Group];~~

17 ~~(5) Subject to § 2-1303.1 of this subtitle, a Just Transition Employment  
18 and Retraining Working Group;~~

19 ~~(6) Subject to § 2-1303.2 of this subtitle, an Energy Industry Revitalization  
20 Working Group;~~

21 ~~(7) Subject to § 2-1303.3 of this subtitle, an Energy Resilience and  
22 Efficiency Working Group; and~~

23 ~~(8) Subject to § 2-1303.4 of this subtitle, a Solar Photovoltaic Systems  
24 Recovery, Reuse, and Recycling Working Group];~~

25 4-708.

26 [(a) The Department shall adopt regulations to implement the requirements of  
27 this subtitle no later than September 30, 1993 in order to begin making disbursements from  
28 the Fund no later than January 1, 1994.



- 1           (a)   (1)   In this section, “alternative response” means a component of the child  
2 protective services program that provides for a comprehensive assessment of:
- 3                   (i)    risk of harm to the child;
- 4                   (ii)   risk of subsequent child abuse or neglect;
- 5                   (iii)  family strengths and needs; and
- 6                   (iv)   the provision of or referral for necessary services.
- 7           (2)   “Alternative response” does not include:
- 8                   (i)    an investigation; or
- 9                   (ii)   a formal determination as to whether child abuse or neglect has  
10 occurred.
- 11           【(1)   (1)   The Department shall convene a multidisciplinary alternative response  
12 advisory council.
- 13           (2)   The advisory council shall consist of the following members:
- 14                   (i)    the Secretary of Human Services, or the Secretary’s designee;
- 15                   (ii)   the Secretary of Health, or the Secretary’s designee;
- 16                   (iii)  the State Superintendent of Schools, or the Superintendent’s  
17 designee;
- 18                   (iv)   a representative from the Maryland Disability Law Center;
- 19                   (v)    a representative from a child advocacy organization;
- 20                   (vi)   a representative from a community partner or a local service  
21 provider;
- 22                   (vii)  a pediatrician with experience in diagnosing and treating  
23 injuries related to abuse and neglect;
- 24                   (viii) an attorney with experience representing children or adults in  
25 abuse and neglect cases;
- 26                   (ix)   a representative from the Office of the Public Defender;

1 (x) a parent or guardian who has personal experience with the child  
2 protective services system;

3 (xi) a child who has personal experience with the child protective  
4 services system;

5 (xii) two representatives from local departments of social services;  
6 and

7 (xiii) two representatives from local citizens review panels.

8 (3) The Secretary of Human Services or the Secretary's designee shall be  
9 the chair of the advisory council.

10 (4) The advisory council shall advise the Department on:

11 (i) the development of the alternative response implementation  
12 plan, which may include a pilot program;

13 (ii) oversight and monitoring of the alternative response  
14 implementation plan;

15 (iii) consulting with local citizens review panels, local services  
16 affiliates, and other local partners for feedback and recommendations on the alternative  
17 response implementation plan;

18 (iv) defining the scope of the independent evaluation of the  
19 implementation of the alternative response program; and

20 (v) defining the scope of the ongoing evaluation of the alternative  
21 response program.]

22 **Article – Health – General**

23 7.5–802.

24 (a) (1) There is a Maryland Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder  
25 Registry and Referral System in the Department.

26 (c) (1) There is a Maryland Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder  
27 Registry and Referral System Advisory Committee.

28 [(5) On or before January 1 each year, the Advisory Committee shall report  
29 to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations  
30 Committee, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, on the  
31 implementation of the Registry and Referral System.]

1 13-706.

2 (a) A certificate holder shall submit to the Department, on a form required by the  
3 Department, a report of each incident that occurs while the youth camp is in session that  
4 required the administration of emergency use epinephrine.

5 (b) [On or before January 31 of each year, the] **THE** Department shall [publish a  
6 report summarizing] **INCLUDE IN THE REPORT REQUIRED UNDER § 13-7A-03 OF THIS**  
7 **TITLE A SUMMARY OF** the information obtained from the reports submitted to the  
8 Department under subsection (a) of this section.

9 13-4502.

10 (a) There is a Cannabis Public Health Advisory Council.

11 (b) The Advisory Council consists of the following members:

12 (1) One member from the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President  
13 of the Senate;

14 (2) One member from the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of  
15 the House;

16 (3) The Secretary, or the Secretary's designee;

17 (4) The Deputy Secretary for Behavioral Health, or the Deputy Secretary's  
18 designee;

19 (5) [The Secretary of Agriculture, or the Secretary's designee;

20 (6)] The Director of the Maryland Cannabis Administration, or the  
21 Director's designee;

22 [(7)] **(6)** The State Superintendent of Schools, or the State  
23 Superintendent's designee;

24 [(8)] **(7)** The Executive Director of the Governor's Office of Crime  
25 Prevention and Policy, or the Executive Director's designee;

26 [(9)] **(8)** The Administrator of the Motor Vehicle Administration, or the  
27 Administrator's designee;

28 [(10)] **(9)** The Executive Director of the Office of Social Equity in the  
29 ~~Maryland Cannabis Administration~~ **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC**  
30 **MOBILITY**, or the Executive Director's designee; and

- 1            ~~[(11)]~~ **(10)** The following members appointed by the Governor:
- 2                            (i) One representative from a historically black college or  
3 university;
- 4                            (ii) One health care provider with experience in cannabis;
- 5                            (iii) One pharmacist licensed in the State;
- 6                            (iv) One health care provider with expertise in substance use  
7 disorder treatment and recovery;
- 8                            (v) One individual with expertise in cannabis use disorder;
- 9                            (vi) One academic researcher with expertise in cannabis law and  
10 policy;
- 11                           (vii) One individual with at least 5 years of experience in health or  
12 social equity;
- 13                           (viii) One public health professional with cannabis experience; and
- 14                           (ix) One representative of a laboratory that tests cannabis.

15 18–204.

16            (b) ~~[(6)]~~ The Secretary, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government  
17 Article, shall submit an annual report to the Governor and General Assembly on the  
18 activities of the cancer registry, including utilization of cancer registry data.]

19 19–101.

20            In this subtitle, “Commission” means the Maryland Health Care Commission.

21 19–134.

22            (f)    (2)    The Commission shall:

23                            (ii) Analyze the information jointly with the Office of Minority  
24 Health and Health Disparities for publication in the “Health Care Disparities Policy Report  
25 Card” required under ~~[§ 20–1004(22)]~~ **§ 20–1006(B)(2)** of this article.

26 19–1409.

1 (a) There is an Oversight Committee on Quality of Care in Nursing Homes and  
2 Assisted Living Facilities.

3 (b) The Oversight Committee shall consist of the following members:

4 (1) One member of the Senate Finance Committee, appointed by the  
5 President of the Senate;

6 (2) One member of the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental  
7 Affairs Committee, appointed by the President of the Senate;

8 (3) Two members of the House Health and Government Operations  
9 Committee, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

10 (4) The Secretary of Aging, or the Secretary's designee;

11 (5) [The Secretary of Health, or the Secretary's designee;

12 (6)] The Director of the Office of Health Care Quality, or the Director's  
13 designee;

14 [(7)] (6) The Deputy Secretary for Behavioral Health, or the Deputy  
15 Secretary's designee;

16 [(8)] (7) The Secretary of Human Services, or the Secretary's designee;

17 [(9)] (8) The Secretary of Disabilities, or the Secretary's designee;

18 [(10)] (9) The State Long-Term Care Ombudsman;

19 [(11)] (10) Two representatives of area agencies on aging, one of which shall  
20 be a member of a local long-term care ombudsman program established under Title 10,  
21 Subtitle 9 of the Human Services Article, selected by the President of the Maryland  
22 Association of Area Agencies on Aging;

23 [(12)] (11) One representative of a local long-term care ombudsman entity,  
24 selected by the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman;

25 [(13)] (12) Three consumer members, selected by the State Long-Term  
26 Care Ombudsman, all of whom shall be consumers living in an assisted living facility or a  
27 nursing home or have a family member living in an assisted living facility or a nursing  
28 home;

29 [(14)] (13) The following representatives, selected by the organizations the  
30 individual represents:

- 1 (i) One representative from the Health Facilities Association of  
2 Maryland;
- 3 (ii) One representative from the Mid–Atlantic LifeSpan;
- 4 (iii) One representative of the Hospice Network of Maryland;
- 5 (iv) One representative of the Maryland Hospital Association;
- 6 (v) One representative of 1199SEIU United Health Workers East;
- 7 (vi) One representative of the Maryland Chapter of AARP;
- 8 (vii) One representative of United Seniors of Maryland;
- 9 (viii) One representative of Voices for Quality Care;
- 10 (ix) One representative of the Mental Health Association of  
11 Maryland knowledgeable in issues of aging;
- 12 (x) One representative of the Greater Maryland Chapter of the  
13 Alzheimer’s Association; and
- 14 (xi) One representative of the Maryland Association of Adult Day  
15 Services; and

16 [(15)] (14) Three representatives from the assisted living industry, of which  
17 one shall represent a program that cares for one to four residents, one shall represent a  
18 program that cares for five to nine residents, and one shall represent a program that cares  
19 for more than 10 residents.

20 20–1004.

21 The Office shall:

22 [(22)] In collaboration with the Maryland Health Care Commission, and the  
23 health occupations boards established under the Health Occupations Article, publish  
24 annually on the Department’s website and provide in writing on request a “Health Care  
25 Disparities Policy Report Card” that includes:

26 (i) An analysis of racial and ethnic variations in insurance coverage  
27 for low–income, nonelderly individuals;

28 (ii) The racial and ethnic composition of the individuals who hold a  
29 license or certificate issued by a health occupations board established under the Health  
30 Occupations Article compared to the racial and ethnic composition of the State’s population;

1 (iii) The racial and ethnic disparities in morbidity and mortality rates  
2 for cardiovascular disease, cancer, diabetes, HIV/AIDS, infant mortality, asthma,  
3 dementia, and other diseases identified by the Maryland Health Care Commission; and

4 (iv) A comparison of the information included under items (i) and (ii)  
5 of this item with previously published “Health Care Disparities Policy Report Cards”  
6 including the same information;]

7 [(23)] (22) To the extent authorized under federal and State privacy laws,  
8 publish on its website health data that includes race and ethnicity information collected by  
9 the Office and update the data at least once every 6 months; and

10 [(24)] (23) To the extent authorized under federal and State privacy laws,  
11 respond to requests for health data that includes race and ethnicity information within 30  
12 days after receipt of the request.

13 20–1006.

14 (a) On or before the 15th day of each regular session of the General Assembly, the  
15 Department shall submit an annual report on the Office of Minority Health and Health  
16 Disparities to the Governor and, subject to § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, to  
17 the General Assembly.

18 (b) The report shall include [the]:

19 (1) THE projects and services developed and funded by the Office and the  
20 health care problems that the grant funds are intended to ameliorate;

21 (2) A “HEALTH CARE DISPARITIES POLICY REPORT CARD”,  
22 DEVELOPED IN COLLABORATION WITH THE MARYLAND HEALTH CARE  
23 COMMISSION, AND THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BOARDS ESTABLISHED UNDER THE  
24 HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE, THAT INCLUDES:

25 (I) AN ANALYSIS OF RACIAL AND ETHNIC VARIATIONS IN  
26 INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR LOW-INCOME, NONELDERLY INDIVIDUALS;

27 (II) THE RACIAL AND ETHNIC COMPOSITION OF THE  
28 INDIVIDUALS WHO HOLD A LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY A HEALTH  
29 OCCUPATIONS BOARD ESTABLISHED UNDER THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS ARTICLE  
30 COMPARED TO THE RACIAL AND ETHNIC COMPOSITION OF THE STATE’S  
31 POPULATION;

32 (III) THE RACIAL AND ETHNIC DISPARITIES IN MORBIDITY AND  
33 MORTALITY RATES FOR CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE, CANCER, DIABETES,

1 **HIV/AIDS, INFANT MORTALITY, ASTHMA, DEMENTIA, AND OTHER DISEASES**  
 2 **IDENTIFIED BY THE MARYLAND HEALTH CARE COMMISSION; AND**

3 **(IV) A COMPARISON OF THE INFORMATION INCLUDED UNDER**  
 4 **ITEMS (I) AND (II) OF THIS ITEM WITH PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED “HEALTH CARE**  
 5 **DISPARITIES POLICY REPORT CARDS” INCLUDING THE SAME INFORMATION; AND**

6 **(3) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FROM THE IMMEDIATELY**  
 7 **PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR:**

8 **(I) THE OFFICE’S EFFORTS TO OBTAIN FUNDING DESCRIBED**  
 9 **UNDER § 20–1007(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND**

10 **(II) THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING FROM FEDERAL AND SPECIAL**  
 11 **FUNDING SOURCES THE OFFICE RECEIVED.**

12 (c) The report may include any recommendations for administrative or legislative  
 13 action that it deems appropriate.

14 20–1007.

15 [(c) On or before October 1 each year, the Office shall report to the House Health  
 16 and Government Operations Committee and the Senate Finance Committee, in accordance  
 17 with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, the following information from the  
 18 immediately preceding fiscal year:

19 (1) The Office’s efforts to obtain funding described under subsection (b) of  
 20 this section; and

21 (2) The amount of funding from federal and special funding sources the  
 22 Office received.]

23 ~~21–330.1.~~

24 ~~(f) (1) The Department may investigate any complaint alleging that a cottage~~  
 25 ~~food business has violated this section.~~

26 ~~(2) On receipt of a complaint, a representative of the Department, at a~~  
 27 ~~reasonable time, may enter and inspect the premises of a cottage food business to determine~~  
 28 ~~compliance with this section.~~

29 ~~(3) The owner of a cottage food business may not:~~

1                    ~~(i) Refuse to grant access to a representative who requests to enter~~  
 2 ~~and inspect the premises of the cottage food business under paragraph (2) of this subsection;~~  
 3 ~~or~~

4                    ~~(ii) Interfere with any inspection under paragraph (2) of this~~  
 5 ~~subsection.~~

6                    ~~(4) An investigation of a cottage food business conducted under this~~  
 7 ~~subsection may include sampling of a cottage food product to determine if the cottage food~~  
 8 ~~product is misbranded or adulterated.~~

9                    ~~[(h) Beginning on or before December 30, 2020, and every December 30 thereafter,~~  
 10 ~~the Department shall report to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and~~  
 11 ~~Government Operations Committee, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government~~  
 12 ~~Article, on:~~

13                    ~~(1) The documentation and labels submitted under subsection (f) of this~~  
 14 ~~section; and~~

15                    ~~(2) Any complaints received by the Department related to a cottage food~~  
 16 ~~business or cottage food product.]~~

17                    ~~[(i)] **(H)** The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out this section.~~

18 24-1708.

19                    (a) In this section, “Council” means the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment  
 20 Program Advisory Council for Physicians and Physician Assistants.

21                    (g) On or before October 1 [each year], 2028, AND EVERY 3 YEARS THEREAFTER,  
 22 the Council shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State  
 23 Government Article, the General Assembly on the activities and recommendations of the  
 24 Council.

## 25                    Article – Housing and Community Development

26 4-2101.

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

28                    (c) “Council” means the Interagency Council on Homelessness.

29 4-2104.

30                    [(a)] The [Governor shall designate as chair of the Council a member who is a  
 31 secretary or a secretary’s designee with decision-making authority on issues that relate to

1 the work of the Council] **SECRETARY, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE, SHALL SERVE**  
2 **AS CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL.**

3 [(b) The term of the chair is 2 years.

4 (c) The chair may not serve consecutive terms.]

5 4-2105.

6 (a) A majority of the members then serving on the Council is a quorum.

7 (b) The Council shall determine the times and places of its meetings.

8 (c) **[A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, A**  
9 **member of the Council:**

10 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Council; but

11 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State  
12 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

13 **(D) A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL APPOINTED UNDER § 4-2103(A)(13)(III)**  
14 **OR (IV) OF THIS SUBTITLE WHO IS CURRENTLY EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS OR**  
15 **HAS LIVED EXPERIENCE OF HOMELESSNESS IS ENTITLED TO:**

16 **(1) REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE**  
17 **TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET; AND**

18 **(2) REASONABLE COMPENSATION FOR THE MEMBER'S SERVICES AS**  
19 **DETERMINED BY A COMPENSATION POLICY ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT.**

20 **Article – Human Services**

21 2-301.

22 The following units are in the Department:

23 (1) the Child Support Administration;

24 (2) the Family Investment Administration;

25 (3) the Social Services Administration;

26 (4) the Maryland Commission for Women; **AND**

1 (5) [the Two Generation Family Economic Security Commission; and  
 2 (6)] any other unit that by law is declared to be part of the Department.  
 3 7-302.

4 (a) There is a Maryland Commission on Caregiving in the Department.

5 (b) The purpose of the Commission is to coordinate statewide planning,  
 6 development, and implementation of family caregiver support services.

7 7-303.

8 (a) (1) The Commission consists of the following members:

9 (i) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the  
 10 President of the Senate;

11 (ii) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker  
 12 of the House; and

13 (iii) the following members appointed by the Governor:

14 1. two representatives from the Department of Human  
 15 Services;

16 2. three representatives from the Maryland Department of  
 17 Health;

18 3. one representative from the Department of Aging;

19 4. one representative from an area agency on aging;

20 5. one representative from the Department of Disabilities;

21 6. [one representative from the Maryland Respite Care  
 22 Coalition;

23 7.] two consumers of respite care services;

24 [8.] 7. three family caregivers; and

25 [9.] 8. [three] **FOUR** representatives of organizations that  
 26 provide or have interest or expertise in respite care services.

27 **Article – Natural Resources**

1 5–210.1.

2 (c) (1) The Department shall:

3 (i) Take inventory of all State land managed by the Department,  
4 including:

5 1. Acreage;

6 2. Any structures on each property;

7 3. The use of each property; and

8 4. Whether a property is located within an environmental  
9 justice community as identified by the Department using the Maryland Environmental  
10 Justice Screen Tool; **AND**

11 (ii) Develop a maintenance project prioritization process modeled  
12 after the National Park Service’s asset priority index that includes a layer indicating  
13 whether a maintenance project is located in an environmental justice community as  
14 identified by the Department using the Maryland Environmental Justice Screen Tool]; and

15 (iii) Develop and publish on its website a list of maintenance projects  
16 in every unit of the State park system that are expected to cost more than \$25,000].

17 10–202.1.

18 (a) The Secretary shall develop, adopt, and implement a comprehensive nutria  
19 management plan to eradicate the species *Myocastor coypu* (nutria) from the State.

20 (b) In addition to any funding provided under § 10–308.1 of this title, the  
21 Department shall seek funding from federal, private, and other sources to implement fully  
22 the nutria management plan until nutria are eradicated from the State.

23 [(c) (1) In accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, the  
24 Secretary shall report annually to the General Assembly beginning July 1, 1995, and by  
25 July 1 each year thereafter until the nutria have been eradicated from the State.

26 (2) The report shall include data on the implementation of the nutria  
27 management plan, including:

28 (i) Expenditures and future funding needs;

29 (ii) Nutria removed from the population;

1 (iii) Results from specific efforts to remove nutria; and

2 (iv) An assessment of the success of the plan.]

3 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

4 14–410.

5 (b) (1) There is a Maryland Green Purchasing Committee.

6 (2) The Committee shall consist of the following members:

7 (i) the Secretary of General Services, or the Secretary’s designee;

8 (ii) the Secretary of Budget and Management, or the Secretary’s  
9 designee;

10 (iii) the Secretary of Natural Resources, or the Secretary’s designee;

11 (iv) the Secretary of the Environment, or the Secretary’s designee;

12 (v) the Secretary of Health, or the Secretary’s designee;

13 (vi) [the Secretary of Commerce, or the Secretary’s designee;

14 (vii)] the Secretary of Transportation, or the Secretary’s designee;

15 [(viii)] (VII) the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services,  
16 or the Secretary’s designee;

17 [(ix)] (VIII) the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland, or  
18 the Chancellor’s designee;

19 [(x)] (IX) the Secretary of Information Technology, or the  
20 Secretary’s designee;

21 [(xi)] (X) the Secretary of Education, or the Secretary’s designee;  
22 and

23 [(xii)] (XI) the State Treasurer, or the Treasurer’s designee.

24 **Article – State Government**

25 2–10A–15.

26 (j) The Governor’s Interagency Council on Homelessness shall:

- 1 (1) cooperate fully with the Committee;
- 2 (2) keep the Committee fully informed as to its priorities and progress; and
- 3 (3) submit an annual report, subject to § 2–1257 of this title, to the  
4 Committee on or before [October 1] **DECEMBER 15** of each year that includes:
- 5 (i) a description of the Council’s work;
- 6 (ii) a report on the Council’s priorities and progress; and
- 7 (iii) recommendations for new laws, regulations, programs, services,  
8 and budgetary priorities that are needed to prevent, mitigate the effects of, and end  
9 homelessness in Maryland.

10 9–3202.

11 There is a Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board in the Governor’s Office of Crime  
12 Prevention and Policy.

13 9–3203.

- 14 (a) The Board consists of the following members:
- 15 (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of  
16 the Senate;
- 17 (2) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the  
18 House;
- 19 (3) the Executive Director, or the Executive Director’s designee;
- 20 (4) the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, or the  
21 Secretary’s designee;
- 22 (5) the chair of the Maryland Parole Commission, or the chair’s designee;
- 23 (6) the Secretary of State Police, or the Secretary’s designee;
- 24 (7) the Attorney General, or the Attorney General’s designee;
- 25 (8) the Public Defender, or the Public Defender’s designee;
- 26 (9) the Secretary of Budget and Management, or the Secretary’s designee;
- 27 (10) [the Secretary of Health, or the Secretary’s designee;



1                   (i) a minimum of three rotations, each consisting of 100 hours of  
2 community-based clinical training; and

3                   (ii) in an area of the State identified as having a health care  
4 workforce shortage by the Department, in consultation with the Governor's Workforce  
5 Development Board.

6           (d) On or before [January 31] MARCH 1 of each taxable year, the Department  
7 shall:

8                   (1) report to the Comptroller on the tax credit certificates issued under this  
9 section during the prior taxable year; and

10                  (2) report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State  
11 Government Article, on the utilization of the credit established under this section.

12 10-739.

13           (b) (1) Subject to the limitations of this section, a nurse practitioner or licensed  
14 physician may claim a credit against the State income tax in the amount stated on the tax  
15 credit certificate issued under subsection (c) of this section for the taxable year in which the  
16 nurse practitioner or licensed physician served without compensation as a preceptor in a  
17 preceptorship program approved by the State Board of Nursing and worked:

18                   (i) a minimum of three rotations, each consisting of at least 90 hours  
19 of community-based clinical training; and

20                   (ii) in an area of the State identified as having a health care  
21 workforce shortage by the Department, in consultation with the Governor's Workforce  
22 Development Board.

23           (e) On or before [January 31] MARCH 1 each taxable year, the Department shall:

24                   (1) report to the Comptroller on the tax credit certificates issued under this  
25 section during the prior taxable year; and

26                  (2) report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State  
27 Government Article, on the utilization of the credit established under this section.

28 10-752.

29           (b) (1) Subject to the limitations of this section, a health care practitioner may  
30 claim a credit against the State income tax in the amount stated on the tax credit certificate  
31 issued under subsection (c) of this section for the taxable year in which the health care  
32 practitioner served without compensation as a physician assistant preceptor in a  
33 preceptorship program approved by the Department and worked:



1                    [[vi]] (V)     The Maryland Department of Health;  
 2                    [[vii]] (VI)    The Department of Planning;  
 3                    [[viii]] (VII) The Department of Disabilities; and  
 4                    [[ix]] (VIII) The Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning  
 5 Commission;

6                    (2)     One citizen member from each of the following areas:

7                    (i)     The Eastern Shore;

8                    (ii)    Western Maryland; and

9                    (iii)   Southern Maryland;

10                  (3)     Two citizen members from each of the following areas:

11                  (i)     The Baltimore metropolitan area; and

12                  (ii)    The Washington metropolitan area; and

13                  (4)     Up to six citizen members selected to represent the interests of  
 14 bicyclists, pedestrians, and the disabled community to include:

15                  (i)     A representative of individuals who are visually impaired; and

16                  (ii)    A representative of individuals who are mobility impaired.

17                                   **Chapter 2 of the Acts of the Special Session of 2007**

18                    [SECTION 13. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

19                    (a)     The Geographic Cost of Education Index (GCEI) Adjustment established in §  
 20 5–202(f) of the Education Article shall be updated every 3 years beginning September 2009  
 21 using the most current data available and the same methodology set forth in the report  
 22 entitled “Adjusting for Geographic Differences in the Cost of Education provision in  
 23 Maryland (December 31, 2003).”

24                    (b)     The State Department of Education shall:

25                    (1)     submit the proposed updated GCEI Adjustment to the Governor and  
 26 the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, by  
 27 September 1 of the year in which it is updated; and

1           (2) recommend legislation in the first legislative session following  
2 submission of the updated GCEI Adjustment that codifies the adjustment and requires that  
3 the GCEI adjustment be used to adjust State aid in the fiscal year that begins on July 1 of  
4 that year.]

5           SECTION ~~8~~ 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 10–201(c)  
6 through (h) of Article – Criminal Procedure of the Annotated Code of Maryland be  
7 renumbered to be Section(s) 10–201(b) through (g), respectively.

8           SECTION ~~9~~ 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 5–706(m)  
9 through (u) of Article – Family Law of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to  
10 be Section(s) 5–706(l) through (t), respectively.

11           SECTION ~~10~~ 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

12           (a) The terms of the members of the Maryland Life Sciences Advisory Board  
13 appointed by the Governor under § 3–203(a)(3) of the Economic Development Article shall  
14 expire as follows:

15           (1) the terms of the five longest–serving appointed members serving on  
16 June 30, 2027, shall terminate on that date;

17           (2) the terms of the five longest–serving appointed members serving on  
18 June 30, 2028, shall terminate on that date; and

19           (3) the terms of the six longest–serving appointed members serving on  
20 June 30, 2029, shall terminate on that date.

21           (b) If there are more members of the Board whose length of service would qualify  
22 that member for the termination of the member’s term under subsection (a) of this section,  
23 the members whose terms are subject to termination shall be selected by randomized  
24 lottery from all those who qualify and the term of the members selected in the lottery shall  
25 terminate on the date listed under subsection (a) of this section.

26           SECTION ~~11~~ 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
27 July 1, 2026.