

SENATE BILL 284

B1

(6lr0341)

ENROLLED BILL

— Budget and Taxation/Appropriations —

Introduced by **The President (By Request – Administration)**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

Proofreader.

Proofreader.

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

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2026**

3 FOR the purpose of altering or repealing certain required appropriations; authorizing and
4 requiring the use of certain funds for certain purposes; altering the composition of
5 certain funds; authorizing the transfer of certain funds; authorizing, requiring, or
6 altering the distribution of certain revenue; altering the Senator John A. Cade
7 Funding Formula for community colleges; altering the calculation for State aid to
8 Baltimore City Community College; altering the program of State aid to private
9 nonprofit institutions of higher education known as the Joseph A. Sellinger Program;
10 requiring certain counties to reimburse the Maryland Department of Health for a
11 certain percentage of the costs associated with establishing certain assisted
12 outpatient treatment programs, *except under certain circumstances*; authorizing the
13 Secretary of Health to establish the retention period for prescription monitoring data
14 and naloxone medication data through regulation by repealing the 3-year retention
15 requirement in statute; *prohibiting the Prince George's County Council from*

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 allocating any part of the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning
 2 Commission budget allocable solely to Prince George’s County in a certain manner;
 3 prohibiting, except under certain circumstances, the Prince George’s County Planning
 4 Board from making or awarding grants; altering eligibility for certain programs;
 5 ~~requiring, for certain fiscal years, the Comptroller to pay grants in a certain amount~~
 6 ~~to certain counties; requiring the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime~~
 7 ~~Prevention and Policy, the Secretary of Budget and Management, and the~~
 8 ~~Comptroller to take certain actions related to the noncompliance of a county or~~
 9 ~~qualifying municipality with certain State laws; requiring the Governor to publish~~
 10 ~~certain budget books online instead of providing the books; altering the amount that~~
 11 ~~county governments are required to pay toward the retirement costs for certain local~~
 12 ~~employees; specifying an amount that the Maryland Department of Labor is required~~
 13 ~~to reimburse a certain Local Reserve Account; providing that certain provisions of~~
 14 ~~law related to the escheatment of certain unclaimed money held by an electric~~
 15 ~~cooperative do not apply to the escheatment of certain credits on or before a certain~~
 16 ~~date; requiring that a motor vehicle be at least a certain number of years old in order~~
 17 ~~to be eligible for registration as a historic motor vehicle; providing certain~~
 18 ~~modifications to federal adjusted gross income of an individual or federal taxable~~
 19 ~~income of a corporation for Maryland income tax purposes relating to certain~~
 20 ~~depreciation deductions allowed under the federal income tax; altering the total~~
 21 ~~amount of final income tax credit certificates under the More Jobs for Marylanders~~
 22 ~~Program that the Department of Commerce may issue for a certain fiscal year;~~
 23 ~~increasing for a certain tax year, and reducing for a certain tax year, the total amount~~
 24 ~~of the Student Loan Debt Relief Tax Credits that the Maryland Higher Education~~
 25 ~~Commission may certify; delaying the application of certain provisions of law altering~~
 26 ~~the definition of “pass-through entity’s taxable income” for purposes of the Maryland~~
 27 ~~income tax; altering the calculation of the State income tax imposed on certain~~
 28 ~~pass-through entities; altering a requirement that the Maryland Department of~~
 29 ~~Health apply to participate in a certain program for a certain fiscal year; delaying~~
 30 ~~the effective date of certain provisions of law related to hotel rental taxes; altering~~
 31 ~~the membership, duties, and reporting requirements for the Maryland Reparations~~
 32 ~~Commission; and generally relating to the financing of State and local government.~~

33 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

34 Article – Agriculture

35 Section 2–1901(a)(1) and (3) and (b), ~~10–401(a), (d), and (e), and 10–402(a)~~

36 Annotated Code of Maryland

37 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

38 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

39 Article – Agriculture

40 Section 2–1901(e) ~~and 10–407(d)~~

41 Annotated Code of Maryland

42 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

43 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

44 Article – Economic Development

- 1 Section ~~5–1901(a)(1) and (2) and (b) and 13–601(a) and (e)~~
2 Annotated Code of Maryland
3 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 4 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
5 Article – Economic Development
6 Section ~~5–1901(g)(1) and (3)(iii) and 13–611(b)(3)~~
7 Annotated Code of Maryland
8 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Education
11 Section ~~2–305(b), 7–414.1(a), (b), and (f)(1) and (5), and 7–447.1(p)(1) and (3)~~
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2025 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article – Education
16 Section ~~2–305(g), 7–414.1(f)(4), and 7–447.1(p)(9)(vi)~~ and 7–1A–01(l)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2025 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 19 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
20 Article – Education
21 Section 11–602(a) and (c), 16–305(a), (b)(1) and (11), and (c)(3), 16–512(a) and (b)(2),
22 17–101, 17–104(d), ~~18–3602(a) and (b)~~, 18–3701(a) and (f), and 18–3802(a) and
23 (b)
24 Annotated Code of Maryland
25 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 26 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
27 Article – Education
28 Section 11–602(j), 16–305(d), 16–512(b)(1)(xiii) and (xiv), 17–104(a), ~~18–3605~~,
29 18–3704, and 18–3806
30 Annotated Code of Maryland
31 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 32 BY adding to
33 Article – Education
34 Section 16–512(b)(1)(xv) and (xvi)
35 Annotated Code of Maryland
36 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 37 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
38 Article – Health – General
39 Section ~~5–626(a), (b), and (c) and~~ 10–6A–03(a) and (b), 13–5602(a), 21–2A–02(a), and
40 21–2A–04(a) and (b)(1) and (9)

1 Annotated Code of Maryland
2 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

3 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
4 Article – Health – General
5 Section 5–626(g), 10–6A–03(c), ~~and~~ 13–1015, 13–5602(f), and 21–2A–04(b)(8)
6 Annotated Code of Maryland
7 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article – Health Occupations
10 Section 14–207(a) and 17–206(a)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article – Health Occupations
15 Section 14–207(e)(1) and 17–206(d)(1)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

18 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
19 Article – Insurance
20 Section 1–101(b)
21 Annotated Code of Maryland
22 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

23 BY adding to
24 Article – Insurance
25 Section 15–148
26 Annotated Code of Maryland
27 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

28 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
29 Article – Labor and Employment
30 Section 11–603(a)(1) and (3) and 11–1501(a) and (f)
31 Annotated Code of Maryland
32 (2025 Replacement Volume)

33 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
34 Article – Labor and Employment
35 Section 11–603(g) and 11–1506
36 Annotated Code of Maryland
37 (2025 Replacement Volume)

38 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
39 Article – Land Use

1 Section 14-101(a) and (b) and 25-101
 2 Annotated Code of Maryland
 3 (2012 Volume and 2025 Supplement)

4 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 5 Article – Land Use
 6 Section 18-106
 7 Annotated Code of Maryland
 8 (2012 Volume and 2025 Supplement)

9 BY adding to
 10 Article – Land Use
 11 Section 25-102
 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
 13 (2012 Volume and 2025 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 15 Article – Local Government
 16 Section ~~16-501(a)~~ and 16-505
 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
 18 (2013 Volume and 2025 Supplement)

19 ~~BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,~~
 20 ~~Article – Local Government~~
 21 ~~Section 16-501(b)~~
 22 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~
 23 ~~(2013 Volume and 2025 Supplement)~~

24 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
 25 Article – Local Government
 26 Section 20-403(a), (b)(1) and (2), and (c)(1) and 20-434(a), (b), and (d)(1)
 27 Annotated Code of Maryland
 28 (2013 Volume and 2025 Supplement)
 29 (As enacted by Chapter 638 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025)

30 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 31 Article – Local Government
 32 Section 20-403(d) and 20-434(e)
 33 Annotated Code of Maryland
 34 (2013 Volume and 2025 Supplement)
 35 (As enacted by Chapter 638 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025)

36 ~~BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,~~
 37 ~~Article – Natural Resources~~
 38 ~~Section 5-903(a)(1)~~
 39 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~
 40 ~~(2023 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)~~

- 1 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 2 Article – Natural Resources
 3 Section ~~5–903(a)(2)(i) and (i) and 8–709(c)~~ 5–903(i)
 4 Annotated Code of Maryland
 5 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
 7 Article – Public Safety
 8 Section ~~4–308(a) and (b)(1)~~ 4–501(a), (e), and (k), 4–503(a), and 4–504(a) through (c)
 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
 10 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 11 ~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 12 Article – Public Safety
 13 Section ~~1–308(b)(2)(x) and (xi)~~
 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
 15 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)~~
- 16 BY adding to
 17 Article – Public Safety
 18 Section ~~1–308(b)(2)(xii)~~ 4–510
 19 Annotated Code of Maryland
 20 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 21 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
 22 Article – State Finance and Procurement
 23 Section ~~5A–303(a)(1) and (30) and (d)(1), (2)(i), and (4)(i) and (ii)1., 7–115(a)~~
 24 5A–330(a)(1) through (5), (8), and (9), (b)(1) and (2), and (c)(1), (3), and (5),
 25 7–311(a) and (b), and 7–317(a), (g)(1), and (i) 7–317(a), (g)(1), and (i), and
 26 7–330(b)
 27 Annotated Code of Maryland
 28 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 29 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 30 Article – State Finance and Procurement
 31 Section ~~5A–303(d)(4)(iv), 7–115(b), 5A–330(c)(6) and (h), 7–311(e), and 7–317(g)(6)~~
 32 and (h) 7–317(g)(6) and (h), and 7–330(g) and (k)
 33 Annotated Code of Maryland
 34 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 35 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
 36 Article – State Government
 37 Section 9–20B–02, 9–20B–05(a), 21–201(a), (c), (d), and (h), and 21–205(a)(1)
 38 Annotated Code of Maryland
 39 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

- 1 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 2 Article – State Government
 3 Section 9–120(b)(1)(iv) and (xii), 9–20B–03, 9–20B–05(f)(13), (g)(3), and (i)(1), and
 4 21–205(c)(1)
 5 Annotated Code of Maryland
 6 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 7 BY adding to
 8 Article – State Government
 9 Section 9–20B–05(i)(5) and (6)
 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
 11 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
 13 Article – State Personnel and Pensions
 14 Section 21–304(a) and (b)(1), (4)(i) and (iii), and (5)
 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
 16 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 18 Article – State Personnel and Pensions
 19 Section 21–304(b)(6)
 20 Annotated Code of Maryland
 21 (2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 22 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
 23 Article – Tax – General
 24 Section 2–606(b), 10–102.1(a)(1) and (b), and 10–740(a), (b), and (i)
 25 Annotated Code of Maryland
 26 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 27 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 28 Article – Tax – General
 29 Section 2–606(i), 10–102.1(a)(8) and (d) ~~and 10–210.1, 10–210.1, and 10–740(c) and~~
 30 ~~(e) 10–740(c) and (g), and 10–741~~
 31 Annotated Code of Maryland
 32 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)
- 33 ~~BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,~~
 34 ~~Article – Tax – Property~~
 35 ~~Section 13–209(a), (b), (e), and (h) 13–209(h)~~
 36 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~
 37 ~~(2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)~~
- 38 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 39 Article – Tax – Property
 40 Section ~~13–209(e), (d), and (g)(3)~~ 13–209(g)(3)

1 Annotated Code of Maryland
2 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

3 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
4 Article – Transportation
5 Section 13–955(a) and (e) ~~and 17–106(a), (b), (c), (d), and (e)(1)~~
6 Annotated Code of Maryland
7 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Transportation
10 Section 13–936 and 13–955(f) ~~and 17–106(e)(2)~~
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

13 ~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Chapter 275 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2023
15 Section 2~~

16 *BY adding to*
17 *Chapter 212 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025*
18 *Section 2*

19 *BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,*
20 *Chapter 212 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025*
21 *Section 2*

22 *BY adding to*
23 *Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025*
24 *Section 2*

25 *BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,*
26 *Chapter 213 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025*
27 *Section 2*

28 *BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,*
29 *Chapter 604 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025*
30 *Section 35*

31 *BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,*
32 *Chapter 638 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025*
33 *Section 2*

34 *BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,*
35 *Chapter 9 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the 2025 Special Session*
36 *Section 1(b)*

1 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 2 Chapter 9 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the 2025 Special Session
 3 Section 1(c)(7), (12), and (13) and (g)(1) and 2

4 BY adding to
 5 Chapter 9 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the 2025 Special Session
 6 Section 1(c)(13) through (15) and (17)

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

9 **Article – Agriculture**

10 2–1901.

11 (a) (1) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

12 (3) “Program” means the Maryland Healthy Soils Program.

13 (b) There is a Maryland Healthy Soils Program.

14 (e) **(1)** In each of fiscal years 2024 through [2028] **2026**, the Governor shall
 15 include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$500,000 for the Program.

16 **(2) IN EACH OF FISCAL YEARS 2027 AND 2028, THE GOVERNOR SHALL**
 17 **INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF AT LEAST \$400,000**
 18 **FOR THE PROGRAM.**

19 ~~10–401.~~

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

21 ~~(d) “Native Plant Specialist” means the University of Maryland Extension agent~~
 22 ~~hired under § 10–403 of this subtitle.~~

23 ~~(e) “Program” means the Maryland Native Plants Program.~~

24 ~~10–402.~~

25 ~~(a) There is a Maryland Native Plants Program.~~

26 ~~10–407.~~

27 ~~(d) For fiscal year 2025 and [each fiscal year thereafter] FISCAL YEAR 2026, the~~
 28 ~~Governor shall include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$150,000 for the~~

~~University of Maryland Extension to hire one extension agent as a Native Plant Specialist and \$100,000 for the Department to hire staff to administer the Program.~~

Article – Economic Development

5–1901.

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

(2) “Fund” means the Cannabis Business Assistance Fund.

(b) There is a Cannabis Business Assistance Fund.

(g) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Fund may be used only for:

(i) grants or loans to small, minority-owned, or women-owned businesses for:

1. license application assistance for participation in the adult-use cannabis industry;

2. assistance with the operating or capital expenses of a business participating in the adult-use cannabis industry; or

3. targeted training to support participation in the adult-use cannabis industry;

(ii) grants to historically black colleges and universities for cannabis-related programs and business development organizations, including incubators, to train and assist small, minority, and women business owners and entrepreneurs seeking to become licensed to participate in the adult-use cannabis industry; [and]

(III) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2027 THROUGH 2029, OPERATING COSTS UP TO \$5,000,000 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC MOBILITY; AND

~~[(iii)]~~ **(IV)** the administrative costs of the Fund.

(3) In order to award grants and loans in accordance with paragraph (1) of this subsection, the Department shall develop partnerships with:

(iii) the [Governor’s] Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs.

~~13-601~~

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

2 ~~(e) "Council" means the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland.~~

3 ~~13-611.~~

4 ~~(b) (3) (i) The Governor shall include in the State budget for the following~~
 5 ~~fiscal year an appropriation to partially support the Council.~~

6 ~~(ii) 1. A. For [fiscal year 2024 and each fiscal year~~
 7 ~~thereafter] FISCAL YEARS 2024 THROUGH 2026, the Governor shall include in the~~
 8 ~~annual budget bill an appropriation of \$1,000,000 to the Council from the Cigarette~~
 9 ~~Restitution Fund established under § 7-317 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.~~

10 ~~**B. FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR**~~
 11 ~~**THEREAFTER, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN**~~
 12 ~~**APPROPRIATION OF \$700,000 TO THE COUNCIL FROM THE CIGARETTE**~~
 13 ~~**RESTITUTION FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 7-317 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND**~~
 14 ~~**PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.**~~

15 ~~2. The Council shall use funds appropriated from the~~
 16 ~~Cigarette Restitution Fund for the purpose of funding the activities of the Southern~~
 17 ~~Maryland Agricultural Development Commission.~~

18 ~~3. The appropriation required under subsubparagraph 1 of~~
 19 ~~this subparagraph shall be in addition to, and may not supplant, any funding appropriated~~
 20 ~~to the Council.~~

21 **Article – Education**

22 2-305.

23 (b) (1) There is a Lacrosse Opportunities Program in the Department.

24 (2) The purpose of the Lacrosse Opportunities Program is to increase
 25 opportunities for minority students to participate in lacrosse in their communities.

26 (g) For fiscal year 2014 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor [shall] MAY
 27 include in the annual budget submission at least \$40,000 for the Lacrosse Opportunities
 28 Program.

29 7-1A-01.

30 (l) "Tier II child" means a child:

31 (1) Who is 4 years old;

1 (2) (i) In fiscal year 2026, whose family income is more than 300% but
2 not more than 360% of the federal poverty level; [and]

3 (ii) IN FISCAL YEAR 2027, WHOSE FAMILY INCOME IS MORE
4 THAN 300% BUT NOT MORE THAN 450% OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL; AND

5 (III) In fiscal year [2027] 2028 and in each fiscal year thereafter,
6 whose family income is more than 300% but not more than 600% of the federal poverty
7 level; and

8 (3) Whose family chooses to enroll the child in full-day prekindergarten.

9 ~~7-447.1.~~

10 ~~(p) (1) In this subsection, "Fund" means the Coordinated Community Supports~~
11 ~~Partnership Fund.~~

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

15 ~~(9) The Governor shall include in the annual budget bill the following~~
16 ~~appropriations for the Fund:~~

17 ~~(vi) [\$100,000,000] \$80,000,000 in fiscal year 2027 and each fiscal~~
18 ~~year thereafter.~~

19 11-602.

20 (a) In this section, "Fund" means the Legal Representation Fund for Title IX
21 Proceedings.

22 (c) The purpose of the Fund is to provide funds for reasonable costs and attorney's
23 fees for students provided with counsel under § 11-601 of this subtitle.

24 (j) Beginning in fiscal year 2021, the Governor shall include in the annual budget
25 bill an appropriation of at least \$250,000 to the [Fund] PROGRAM.

26 16-305.

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

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

1 (11) "State share" means the amount of money for community college
2 operating funds to be provided each fiscal year to a board by the State.

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

5 (i) The base costs component; and

6 (ii) The size factor component.

7 (d) (1) In each fiscal year, in order for a board to receive an increase in the
8 State share of support, the county share, in the aggregate, that supports the community
9 college or colleges shall equal or exceed the aggregate amount of operating fund
10 appropriations made to the board by the county or all of the counties supporting the college
11 in the previous fiscal year.

12 (2) **FOR FISCAL YEARS 2027 THROUGH 2029, THE STATE SHARE, AS**
13 **DETERMINED UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(3) OF THIS SECTION, MAY NOT EXCEED AN**
14 **INCREASE OF 3% OVER THE STATE SHARE PROVIDED TO EACH COMMUNITY**
15 **COLLEGE IN THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING FISCAL YEAR.**

16 16-512.

17 (a) In this section, "State Funds per full-time equivalent student appropriation
18 to the 4-year public institutions of higher education" has the meaning stated in §
19 17-104(a)(1) of this article.

20 (b) (1) The total State operating fund per full-time equivalent student
21 appropriated to Baltimore City Community College for each fiscal year other than fiscal
22 year 2013, as requested by the Governor shall be:

23 (xiii) In fiscal year 2022, not less than an amount equal to 66.5% of the
24 State's General Fund appropriation per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year public
25 institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the
26 purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in
27 the same fiscal year; [and]

28 (xiv) In fiscal [year 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter] **YEARS 2023**
29 **THROUGH 2026**, not less than an amount equal to 68.5% of the State Funds per full-time
30 equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in
31 the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A.
32 Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article; ~~AND~~

33 (XV) ~~IN FISCAL YEAR 2027 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER~~
34 **YEARS 2027 THROUGH 2029, NOT LESS THAN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 67.5% OF THE**
35 **STATE FUNDS PER FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STUDENT APPROPRIATION TO THE**

1 4-YEAR PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE AS
2 DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADMINISTERING THE
3 JOSEPH A. SELLINGER PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 17 OF THIS ARTICLE; AND

4 (XVI) IN FISCAL YEAR 2030 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER,
5 NOT LESS THAN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 68.5% OF THE STATE FUNDS PER FULL-TIME
6 EQUIVALENT STUDENT APPROPRIATION TO THE 4-YEAR PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF
7 HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE AS DESIGNATED BY THE COMMISSION FOR THE
8 PURPOSE OF ADMINISTERING THE JOSEPH A. SELLINGER PROGRAM UNDER TITLE
9 17 OF THIS ARTICLE.

10 (2) For purposes of this subsection, the State Funds per full-time
11 equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in
12 the State for a fiscal year shall include:

13 (i) Noncapital appropriations from the Higher Education
14 Investment Fund; and

15 (ii) Appropriations, regardless of where they are budgeted,
16 designated for the general operation of 4-year public institutions of higher education in the
17 State, including personnel-related appropriations.

18 17-101.

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

21 17-104.

22 (a) (1) (i) In this subsection, "State Funds per full-time equivalent student
23 appropriation to the 4-year public institutions of higher education" shall be calculated in
24 accordance with this paragraph using the General Fund and Higher Education Investment
25 Fund actual expenditures for the second previous fiscal year.

26 (ii) The total number of full-time equivalent students is based on
27 credit hour production for the second previous fiscal year.

28 (iii) The number of undergraduate full-time equivalent students
29 shall be calculated using total undergraduate credit hour production divided by 30.

30 (iv) 1. Except as provided in subparagraph 2 of this
31 subparagraph, the number of graduate full-time equivalent students shall be calculated
32 based on a methodology agreed to by the University System of Maryland Office, Morgan
33 State University, and St. Mary's College of Maryland, in consultation with the Commission.

1 2. If a methodology is not agreed to on or before September
2 16, 2024, the Commission shall determine the methodology used to calculate the number
3 of graduate full-time equivalent students.

4 (v) The Commission shall certify the number of full-time equivalent
5 students for each institution on or before October 1 each year.

6 (2) (I) [In] **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS**
7 **PARAGRAPH, IN** fiscal year 2025 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Maryland Higher
8 Education Commission shall compute the amount of the annual apportionment for each
9 institution that qualifies under this subtitle by multiplying the number of full-time
10 equivalent undergraduate students enrolled at the institution during the fall semester of
11 the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the aid apportionment is made, as
12 determined by the Maryland Higher Education Commission, by an amount not less than
13 16.1% of the State Funds per full-time equivalent student appropriation to the 4-year
14 public institutions of higher education in this State.

15 (II) **IN EACH OF FISCAL YEARS 2027 THROUGH 2029, THE**
16 **ANNUAL APPORTIONMENT FOR EACH INSTITUTION THAT QUALIFIES UNDER THIS**
17 **SUBTITLE IS:**

- 18 1. **CAPITOL TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY – \$914,981;**
- 19 2. **GOUCHER COLLEGE – \$3,168,940;**
- 20 3. **HOOD COLLEGE – \$3,611,811;**
- 21 4. **JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY – \$20,554,298;**
- 22 5. **LOYOLA UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND – \$12,550,328;**
- 23 6. **MARYLAND INSTITUTE COLLEGE OF ART –**
24 **\$3,745,718;**
- 25 7. **MCDANIEL COLLEGE – \$5,945,264;**
- 26 8. **MOUNT ST. MARY’S UNIVERSITY – \$5,476,872;**
- 27 9. **NOTRE DAME OF MARYLAND UNIVERSITY –**
28 **\$2,037,187;**
- 29 10. **ST. JOHN’S COLLEGE – \$1,701,410;**
- 30 11. **STEVENSON UNIVERSITY – \$9,206,521;**

1 (f) "Program" means the Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for
2 Police Officers and Probation Agents.

3 18-3704.

4 (a) For fiscal year 2025, the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill an
5 appropriation of at least \$500,000 for the Program.

6 (b) For fiscal year 2026 [and each fiscal year thereafter], the Governor shall
7 include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$2,000,000 for the Program.

8 **(C) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE**
9 **GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF**
10 **AT LEAST \$500,000 FOR THE PROGRAM.**

11 18-3802.

12 (a) There is a Maryland Police Officers and Probation Agents Scholarship
13 Program.

14 (b) The purpose of the program is to provide tuition assistance for students who
15 are:

16 (1) Attending an eligible institution and enrolled in a degree program that
17 would further the student's intent to become a police officer or probation agent after
18 graduation; or

19 (2) Employed as a police officer or probation agent, attending an eligible
20 institution, and enrolled in a degree program that would further the police officer's or
21 probation officer's career.

22 18-3806.

23 (a) For fiscal year 2025, the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill an
24 appropriation of at least \$500,000 to the Commission to award scholarships under this
25 subtitle.

26 (b) For fiscal year 2026 [and each fiscal year thereafter], the Governor shall
27 include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$2,000,000 to the Commission
28 to award scholarships under this subtitle.

29 **(C) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE**
30 **GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF**
31 **AT LEAST \$500,000 TO THE COMMISSION TO AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER THIS**
32 **SUBTITLE.**

Article – Health – General

1
2 5–626.

3 (a) In this section, “Fund” means the Advance Directive Program Fund.

4 (b) There is an Advance Directive Program Fund.

5 (c) The purpose of the Fund is to provide funding to carry out the purposes of the
6 Advance Directive Program established under § 5–620 of this subtitle.

7 (g) **(1) [Money] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS**
8 **SUBSECTION, MONEY** in the Fund may be used only to carry out the purposes of the
9 Advance Directive Program established under § 5–620 of this subtitle.

10 **(2) IN FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONLY, \$1,000,000 OF THE FUND MAY BE**
11 **USED FOR MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH QUALITY INITIATIVES IN THE**
12 **DEPARTMENT.**

13 10–6A–03.

14 (a) (1) On or before July 1, 2026, a county may establish an assisted outpatient
15 treatment program in accordance with this subtitle.

16 (2) A county may partner with another county to establish an assisted
17 outpatient treatment program.

18 (b) An assisted outpatient treatment program established under subsection (a) of
19 this section shall be approved and overseen by the county’s local behavioral health
20 authority or core service agency.

21 (c) **(1)** On or before July 1, 2026, the Department shall establish an assisted
22 outpatient treatment program in any county that does not opt to establish an assisted
23 outpatient treatment program.

24 **(2) A COUNTY IN WHICH THE DEPARTMENT IS REQUIRED TO**
25 **ESTABLISH AN ASSISTED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAM SHALL REIMBURSE**
26 **THE DEPARTMENT:**

27 **(I) ~~FOR~~ EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS**
28 **SUBSECTION, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2028, FOR 25% OF THE STATE SHARE OF**
29 **ASSOCIATED COSTS;**

30 **(II) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2029, FOR 50% OF THE STATE SHARE OF**
31 **ASSOCIATED COSTS;**

1 (III) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2030, FOR 75% OF THE STATE SHARE OF
2 ASSOCIATED COSTS; AND

3 (IV) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2031, FOR 100% OF THE STATE SHARE OF
4 ASSOCIATED COSTS.

5 (3) (I) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 31, 2026, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
6 PROVIDE TO EACH COUNTY THE NUMBER OF ASSISTED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT
7 PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS IN THE COUNTY AND THE ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST TO
8 PROVIDE TREATMENT TO THOSE PARTICIPANTS.

9 (II) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2028, THE OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE 25%
10 OF THE STATE SHARE OF ASSOCIATED COSTS SHALL BE WAIVED FOR ANY COUNTY
11 THAT PROVIDES A REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2027,
12 ON THE COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ASSISTED
13 OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAM ON THE COUNTY BUDGET AND OPERATIONS.

14 13-1015.

15 (a) For fiscal year 2011 and fiscal year 2012, the Governor shall include at least
16 \$6,000,000 in the annual budget in appropriations for activities aimed at reducing tobacco
17 use in Maryland as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention,
18 including:

19 (1) Media campaigns aimed at reducing smoking initiation and
20 encouraging smokers to quit smoking;

21 (2) Media campaigns educating the public about the dangers of secondhand
22 smoke exposure;

23 (3) Enforcement of existing laws banning the sale or distribution of tobacco
24 products to individuals under the age of 21 years;

25 (4) Promotion and implementation of smoking cessation programs; and

26 (5) Implementation of school-based tobacco education programs.

27 (b) (1) For fiscal years 2013 through 2021, the Governor shall include at least
28 \$10,000,000 in the annual budget in appropriations for the purposes described in
29 subsection (a) of this section.

30 (2) For fiscal [year 2022 and each fiscal year thereafter] **YEARS 2022**
31 **THROUGH 2026**, the Governor shall include at least \$18,250,000 in the annual budget in
32 appropriations for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section.

1 **(3) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER,**
 2 **THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST \$17,520,000 IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET IN**
 3 **APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS**
 4 **SECTION.**

5 13-5602.

6 (a) There is a Population Health Improvement Fund.

7 (f) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection **AND EXCEPT AS PROVIDED**
 8 **UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION**, the Fund may be used only for expenses
 9 associated with statewide population health improvement initiatives in alignment with the
 10 statewide health equity plan as directed by the Secretary.

11 (2) [Activities] **EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS**
 12 **SUBSECTION, ACTIVITIES** paid for by the Fund must support the goal of meeting the
 13 statewide population health targets outlined in the AHEAD Model State Agreement with the
 14 [Center] **CENTERS** for Medicare and Medicaid Services and have at least one of the
 15 following functions:

16 (i) Reducing rates of common preventable health conditions;

17 (ii) Addressing health-related social needs; or

18 (iii) Reducing or eliminating health disparities.

19 **(3) IN CALENDAR YEAR 2026 ONLY, UP TO \$14,000,000 IN THE FUND**
 20 **MAY BE USED TO FUND EXPENSES OF THE MEDICAL CARE PROGRAMS**
 21 **ADMINISTRATION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT IF THE HEALTH SERVICES COST**
 22 **REVIEW COMMISSION INCREASES HOSPITAL RATES TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL**
 23 **ASSISTANCE TO MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLANS.**

24 21-2A-02.

25 (a) There is a Prescription Drug Monitoring Program in the Department.

26 21-2A-04.

27 (a) The Secretary, in consultation with the Board, shall adopt regulations to carry
 28 out this subtitle.

29 (b) The regulations adopted by the Secretary shall:

30 (1) Specify the prescription monitoring data and naloxone medication data
 31 required to be submitted under § 21-2A-03 of this subtitle;

1 15-148.

2 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO:

3 (1) INSURERS AND NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLANS THAT
 4 PROVIDE HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, OR SURGICAL BENEFITS TO INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS
 5 ON AN EXPENSE-INCURRED BASIS UNDER HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES OR
 6 CONTRACTS THAT ARE ISSUED OR DELIVERED IN THE STATE; AND

7 (2) HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE
 8 HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, OR SURGICAL BENEFITS TO INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS UNDER
 9 CONTRACTS THAT ARE ISSUED OR DELIVERED IN THE STATE.

10 (B) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ORDER THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM
 11 EACH ENTITY MAINTAINING A SEGREGATED ACCOUNT IN ACCORDANCE WITH §
 12 1303(B)(2)(B) AND (C) OF THE FEDERAL PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE
 13 CARE ACT TO THE DEDICATED PURPOSE ACCOUNT FOR THE PURPOSES OF HEALTH
 14 CARE ACCESS GRANTS AS FOLLOWS:

15 (1) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2026, 90% OF THE AMOUNT OF THE
 16 ENDING BALANCE OF THE SEGREGATED ACCOUNT THAT EXCEEDS DISBURSEMENTS
 17 FOR EACH OF THE PLAN YEARS 2014 THROUGH 2024; AND

18 (2) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2027, AND EACH JULY 1 THEREAFTER, 90%
 19 OF THE AMOUNT OF THE ENDING BALANCE OF A SEGREGATED ACCOUNT THAT
 20 EXCEEDS DISBURSEMENTS AFTER THE 15-MONTH PERIOD FOLLOWING THE END OF
 21 A PLAN YEAR.

22 **Article – Labor and Employment**

23 11-603.

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

25 (3) “Program” means the Public Safety Apprenticeship Program.

26 (g) (1) For fiscal [year 2021 and each fiscal year thereafter] **YEARS 2021**
 27 **THROUGH 2025**, the Governor shall include in the State budget an appropriation of at
 28 least \$750,000 for the Program to:

29 [(1)] (I) provide grants to eligible public safety agencies; and

30 [(2)] (II) cover the administrative costs of operating the Program.

1 **(2) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER,**
2 **THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE STATE BUDGET AN APPROPRIATION OF AT**
3 **LEAST \$390,000 FOR THE PROGRAM TO:**

4 **(I) PROVIDE GRANTS TO ELIGIBLE PUBLIC SAFETY AGENCIES;**
5 **AND**

6 **(II) COVER THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF OPERATING THE**
7 **PROGRAM.**

8 11-1501.

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

10 (f) “Program” means the Career Pathways for Health Care Workers Program.

11 11-1506.

12 (a) (1) Through fiscal year 2024, the Governor shall include in the annual
13 budget bill an appropriation of at least \$1,000,000 for the Program.

14 (2) For fiscal [year] **YEARS 2025** and [each fiscal year thereafter] **2026**,
15 the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of at least \$500,000
16 for the Program.

17 **(3) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER,**
18 **THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION**
19 **OF AT LEAST \$350,000 FOR THE PROGRAM.**

20 (b) Appropriations and expenditures made for the purpose of implementing the
21 Program, including the use of any funds received by a person under any component of the
22 Program, are subject to audit by the Office of Legislative Audits as provided in § 2-1220 of
23 the State Government Article.

24 ***Article – Land Use***

25 14-101.

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

27 (b) “Commission” means the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning
28 Commission.

29 18-106.

1 (a) After public notice, each county council shall hold a public hearing on the
 2 Commission's proposed budgets at least 21 days after receiving the budgets from the county
 3 executive.

4 (b) On or before June 1 of each year, each county council shall, by resolution:

5 (1) approve the portion of the budgets allocable to that county, with any
 6 alterations made under subsection (c) of this section; and

7 (2) subject to the requirements and limitations of Subtitles 3 and 4 of this
 8 title and Title 21 of this article, impose taxes in the amounts the county council determines
 9 to be necessary to finance the portion of the budgets allocable to that county.

10 (c) **(1) [Each] SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, EACH**
 11 **county council may add to, delete from, increase, or decrease any part of the budgets**
 12 **allocable solely to that county.**

13 **(2) (I) THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES ONLY IN PRINCE GEORGE'S**
 14 **COUNTY.**

15 **(II) IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, THE COUNTY COUNCIL MAY**
 16 **NOT ALLOCATE ANY PART OF THE BUDGETS ALLOCABLE SOLELY TO THE COUNTY TO:**

17 **1. THE COUNTY COUNCIL; OR**

18 **2. UNLESS APPROVED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 1 IN**
 19 **ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION:**

20 **A. THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT,**
 21 **INCLUDING A GOVERNMENTAL UNIT OF THE COUNTY; OR**

22 **B. ANY THIRD-PARTY BUSINESS ENTITY OR INDIVIDUAL.**

23 (d) (1) Budget items allocable to both counties as submitted by the Commission
 24 shall be concurred in by both county councils.

25 (2) The county councils may concur in additions to, deletions from,
 26 increases to, or decreases from budget items allocable to both counties.

27 (3) Failure of the county councils to concur in any budget item allocable to
 28 both counties by June 15 shall constitute approval of the item as submitted by the
 29 Commission.

30 25-101.

31 This title applies only in Prince George's County.

1 25-102.

2 EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS DIVISION, THE COUNTY PLANNING
 3 BOARD MAY NOT MAKE OR AWARD GRANTS.

4 Article – Local Government

5 ~~16-501.~~

6 (a) ~~(1) Subject to subsection (c) of this section AND EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN~~
 7 ~~PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, for each fiscal year, the Comptroller shall pay to~~
 8 ~~an eligible county a grant in the amount determined under subsection (c)(3) of this section.~~

9 ~~(2) IN EACH OF FISCAL YEARS 2027 THROUGH 2029, THE~~
 10 ~~COMPTROLLER SHALL PAY TO THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES AND BALTIMORE CITY~~
 11 ~~THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS IN QUARTERLY PAYMENTS:~~

- 12 ~~(I) ALLEGANY COUNTY \$7,298,505;~~
- 13 ~~(II) BALTIMORE CITY \$79,051,790;~~
- 14 ~~(III) CAROLINE COUNTY \$3,894,753;~~
- 15 ~~(IV) DORCHESTER COUNTY \$4,159,010;~~
- 16 ~~(V) GARRETT COUNTY \$2,047,408;~~
- 17 ~~(VI) PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY \$56,889,464;~~
- 18 ~~(VII) SOMERSET COUNTY \$7,251,732;~~
- 19 ~~(VIII) WASHINGTON COUNTY \$2,507,251; AND~~
- 20 ~~(IX) WICOMICO COUNTY \$13,502,951.~~

21 (b) ~~A county may not receive a grant under subsection (a) of this section if any of~~
 22 ~~the county’s income tax rates were less than 2.6%:~~

23 ~~(1) for the taxable year that ended in the second prior fiscal year; or~~

24 ~~(2) for any subsequent taxable year through the taxable year that ends in~~
 25 ~~the current fiscal year.~~

26 16-505.

1 (a) (1) For each of fiscal years 2025 [through 2028] AND 2026, the Governor
 2 shall include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$500,000 to the Prince George's
 3 County Office of the County Executive to be used for the Prince George's County Reentry
 4 Employment Incentive Program under § 10-334 of the Prince George's County Code.

5 (2) FOR EACH OF FISCAL YEARS 2027 AND 2028, THE GOVERNOR
 6 SHALL INCLUDE IN THE BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF \$350,000 TO THE
 7 PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO BE USED FOR
 8 THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY REENTRY EMPLOYMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM
 9 UNDER § 10-334 OF THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY CODE.

10 (b) The funds provided under this section shall be supplemental to, and may not
 11 supplant, funds otherwise available for reentry employment incentives in Prince George's
 12 County.

13 ~~Article – Natural Resources~~

14 ~~§ 700.~~

15 (c) (1) (H) ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for fiscal year 2026~~
 16 ~~[and each fiscal year thereafter], the Department shall distribute at least \$250,000 from~~
 17 ~~the Waterway Improvement Fund to a statewide Maryland-based historic preservation~~
 18 ~~nonprofit organization with demonstrated experience in grantmaking.~~

19 (H) ~~NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, FOR~~
 20 ~~FISCAL YEAR 2020 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL~~
 21 ~~DISTRIBUTE AT LEAST \$250,000 FROM THE WATERWAY IMPROVEMENT FUND TO A~~
 22 ~~STATEWIDE MARYLAND-BASED HISTORIC PRESERVATION NONPROFIT~~
 23 ~~ORGANIZATION WITH DEMONSTRATED EXPERIENCE IN GRANTMAKING.~~

24 (2) ~~A nonprofit organization shall use any funds received under this~~
 25 ~~subsection to establish, operate, and administer a maritime heritage competitive grant~~
 26 ~~program to provide grants to nonprofit organizations in the State and instrumentalities of~~
 27 ~~the State, counties, or municipalities engaged in maritime heritage preservation,~~
 28 ~~interpretation, or conservation.~~

29 (3) ~~On or before November 30 each year, a nonprofit organization that~~
 30 ~~receives funds under this subsection shall submit a report to the Department on the~~
 31 ~~guidelines, promotion, selection, recipients, and impact of the organization's competitive~~
 32 ~~grant program.~~

33 Article – Public Safety

34 ~~1-308.~~

1 ~~(a) There is a 9-1-1 Trust Fund.~~

2 ~~(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection and subject to §~~
 3 ~~1-300.1 of this subtitle, the purposes of the 9-1-1 Trust Fund are to:~~

4 ~~(i) reimburse counties for the cost of enhancing a 9-1-1 system;~~

5 ~~(ii) pay contractors in accordance with § 1-306(b)(12) of this subtitle;~~

6 ~~and~~

7 ~~(iii) fund the coordinator position and staff to handle the increased~~
 8 ~~duties related to wireless enhanced 9-1-1 service under § 1-305 of this subtitle, as an~~
 9 ~~administrative cost.~~

10 ~~(2) Subject to paragraph (3) of this subsection, in addition to the purposes~~
 11 ~~described under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the purposes of the 9-1-1 Trust Fund~~
 12 ~~include funding:~~

13 ~~(x) costs of telecommunications cardiopulmonary resuscitation~~
 14 ~~training; [and]~~

15 ~~(xi) costs related to the operation of the 9-8-8 suicide prevention~~
 16 ~~hotline that may be shared with 9-1-1 activities, including software interfaces and joint~~
 17 ~~training; AND~~

18 ~~(XII) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR~~
 19 ~~THEREAFTER, PROGRAM OPERATIONS OF THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF~~
 20 ~~EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.~~

21 4-501.

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

23 (e) “Executive Director” means the Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of
 24 Crime Prevention and Policy.

25 (k) “Qualifying municipality” means a municipality that:

26 (1) (i) has expenditures for police protection that exceed \$5,000; and

27 (ii) employs at least one full-time qualified police officer; or

28 (2) (i) has expenditures for police protection that exceed \$80,000; and

29 (ii) employs at least two part-time qualified police officers from a
 30 county police department or county sheriff’s department.

1 4-503.

2 (a) There is a State Aid for Police Protection Fund.

3 4-504.

4 (a) The Executive Director shall administer the Fund.

5 (b) The Executive Director shall:

6 (1) certify to the Comptroller, counties, and qualifying municipalities the
7 amount of payments under this subtitle to the counties and qualifying municipalities; and

8 (2) adopt regulations and require reports that are necessary to certify the
9 amounts.

10 (c) In administering the Fund, the Executive Director shall:

11 (1) make a continuing effort to establish standards of police protection
12 adequate to the various local situations; and

13 (2) subject to § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, report periodically
14 to the General Assembly on progress in establishing and meeting those standards,
15 including the payment amounts certified under subsection (b) of this section and any other
16 relevant fiscal information.

17 4-510.

18 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT” HAS
19 THE MEANING STATED IN § 5-104.1 OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ARTICLE.

20 (B) IF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FINDS THAT A COUNTY OR QUALIFYING
21 MUNICIPALITY IS NOT COMPLYING WITH STATE LAW RELATED TO IMMIGRATION
22 ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENTS, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE
23 COUNTY OR QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITY OF THE NONCOMPLIANCE.

24 (C) IF A COUNTY OR QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITY DISPUTES THE FINDING IN
25 THE NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION WITHIN 30 DAYS
26 AFTER THE ISSUANCE OF THE NOTICE, THE DISPUTE SHALL BE PROMPTLY
27 REFERRED TO THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT, WHO SHALL MAKE
28 A FINAL DETERMINATION.

29 (D) ON RECEIPT OF CERTIFICATION OF NONCOMPLIANCE BY THE
30 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR THE SECRETARY OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT, THE

1 COMPTROLLER SHALL SUSPEND, UNTIL NOTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE IS
 2 RECEIVED, PAYMENT OF:

3 (1) ANY FUNDS DUE THE COUNTY OR QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITY FOR
 4 THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR UNDER § 4-506 OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

5 (2) ANY ENHANCED OR DISCRETIONARY FUNDING FOR POLICE
 6 PROTECTION DUE THE COUNTY OR QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITY FOR THE CURRENT
 7 FISCAL YEAR.

8 **Article – State Finance and Procurement**

9 ~~5A-303.~~

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

11 ~~(30) “Small commercial project” means a rehabilitation of a structure if:~~

12 ~~(i) the qualified rehabilitation expenditures do not exceed \$500,000;~~

13 ~~and~~

14 ~~(ii) 1. the structure is primarily used for commercial,~~
 15 ~~income producing purposes;~~

16 ~~2. the structure:~~

17 ~~A. is a residential unit in a consecutive series of similar~~
 18 ~~residential units that are arranged in a row, side by side; and~~

19 ~~B. is sold as part of a development project for exclusive~~
 20 ~~occupancy to, and occupied by, the resident;~~

21 ~~3. the structure is a targeted project; or~~

22 ~~4. the structure is a condominium or cooperative project and~~
 23 ~~the rehabilitation targets only the common elements of the condominium or cooperative~~
 24 ~~project.~~

25 (d) ~~(1) (i) In this subsection the following words have the meanings~~
 26 ~~indicated.~~

27 ~~(ii) “Reserve Fund” means the Historic Revitalization Tax Credit~~
 28 ~~Reserve Fund established under paragraph (2) of this subsection.~~

29 ~~(iii) “Trust Account” means the Small Commercial Project Trust~~
 30 ~~Account established under paragraph (4) of this subsection.~~

~~(2) (i) There is a Historic Revitalization Tax Credit Reserve Fund that is a continuing, nonlapsing special fund that is not subject to § 7-302 of this article.~~

~~(4) (i) Within the Reserve Fund, there is a Small Commercial Project Trust Account.~~

~~(ii) 1. The Trust Account is established for the issuance of tax credit certificates for small commercial projects.~~

~~(iv) 1. For each of fiscal years 2024 through [2031] 2026, the Governor shall include in the budget bill an appropriation to the Trust Account of at least \$2,000,000.~~

~~2. FOR EACH OF FISCAL YEARS 2027 THROUGH 2031, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION TO THE TRUST ACCOUNT OF AT LEAST \$500,000.~~

5A-330.

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

(2) “AAHP Grant Fund” means the African American Heritage Preservation Grant Fund of the Trust.

(3) “African American Heritage Grant” means a grant made under the Program for an African American Heritage Preservation Project or that is an African American Heritage Preservation Noncapital Grant.

(4) “African American Heritage Preservation Noncapital Grant” means a grant awarded under this section for the purpose of preserving or sharing African American history or culture in the State.

(5) “African American Heritage Preservation Project” means a capital project that:

(i) preserves buildings, communities, and sites of historical and cultural importance to the African American experience in the State; and

(ii) is for:

1. the acquisition of land or buildings; or

2. the construction or improvement of land or buildings.

1 (8) “Program” means the African American Heritage Preservation
2 Program.

3 (9) “Secretary” means the Secretary of Planning.

4 (b) (1) There is an African American Heritage Preservation Program in the
5 Trust.

6 (2) The purpose of the Program is to identify and preserve buildings,
7 communities, and sites of historical and cultural importance to the African American
8 experience in the State.

9 (c) (1) There is an African American Heritage Preservation Grant Fund in the
10 Trust.

11 (3) The AAHP Grant Fund may be used only for African American Heritage
12 Grants.

13 (5) The AAHP Grant Fund consists of:

14 (i) money appropriated in the State budget to the Program;

15 (ii) investment earnings of the AAHP Grant Fund;

16 (iii) grants and donations to the AAHP Grant Fund;

17 (iv) any other money from any other source accepted for the benefit
18 of the AAHP Grant Fund; and

19 (v) money received from the sale of State general obligation bonds.

20 (6) For each fiscal year, the Governor shall include in the annual operating
21 or capital budget an appropriation of \$5,000,000 to the AAHP Grant Fund **TO BE USED**
22 **FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE PRESERVATION PROJECTS.**

23 (h) (1) The Secretary shall:

24 (i) review each grant application submitted under subsection (d) or
25 (g) of this section and the recommendations of the Trust and the Commission;

26 (ii) consider:

27 1. the applications and recommendations under the criteria
28 set forth in subsection (f)(2) of this section; and

29 2. if the grant was submitted under subsection (g) of this
30 section, the nature of the emergency; and

1 (iii) subject to paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, make the
 2 final decision to award the grant or deny the application.

3 (2) Subject to paragraph (3)(ii) of this subsection, the Secretary may award
 4 a grant under the Program funded by money received under subsection [(c)(5)(i), (ii), (iv),
 5 or (v)] (C)(5)(II), (IV), OR (V) of this section only for an African American Heritage
 6 Preservation Project.

7 (3) (i) The Secretary may award a grant funded by money received
 8 under subsection (c)(5)(iii) of this section as an African American Heritage Preservation
 9 Noncapital Grant.

10 (ii) If, after the award of all eligible grants under subparagraph (i)
 11 of this paragraph have been made, there is additional money in the AAHP Grant Fund
 12 received under subsection (c)(5)(iii) of this section, the Secretary may award a grant funded
 13 by money received under subsection (c)(5)(iii) of this section for an African American
 14 Heritage Preservation Project.

15 **(4) THE SECRETARY MAY AWARD A GRANT UNDER THE PROGRAM AS**
 16 **AN AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE PRESERVATION NONCAPITAL GRANT FROM**
 17 **THE MONEY RECEIVED UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(5)(I) OF THIS SECTION, IF THE**
 18 **AMOUNT RECEIVED IS MORE THAN THE \$5,000,000 REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION**
 19 **(C)(6) OF THIS SECTION.**

20 ~~7-115.~~

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

23 ~~(b) The Governor shall [provide] PUBLISH ONLINE budget books that include the~~
 24 ~~information required in this section.~~

25 7-311.

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

27 (2) "Account" means the Revenue Stabilization Account.

28 (3) "Estimated General Fund revenues" means the estimated General
 29 Fund revenues for a fiscal year stated in the report of the Board of Revenue Estimates
 30 submitted to the Governor under § 6-106 of this article in December preceding the fiscal
 31 year.

1 (4) “Unappropriated General Fund surplus” does not include the amount
2 of nonwithholding income tax revenues that exceed the capped estimate determined under
3 § 6–104(e) of this article.

4 (b) (1) The Revenue Stabilization Account is established to retain State
5 revenues for future needs and reduce the need for future tax increases by moderating
6 revenue growth.

7 (2) It is the goal of the State that 10% of estimated General Fund revenues
8 in each fiscal year be retained in the Account.

9 (e) (1) Except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, for each fiscal year,
10 except fiscal [year 2026] **YEARS 2026 AND 2027:**

11 (i) if the Account balance is below 3% of the estimated General Fund
12 revenues for that fiscal year, the Governor shall include in the budget bill an appropriation
13 to the Account equal to at least \$100,000,000; and

14 (ii) if the Account balance is at least 3% but less than 7.5% of the
15 estimated General Fund revenues for that fiscal year, the Governor shall include in the
16 budget bill an appropriation to the Account equal to at least the lesser of \$50,000,000 or
17 whatever amount is required for the Account balance to exceed 7.5% of the estimated
18 General Fund revenues for that fiscal year.

19 (2) At the end of fiscal year 2020 and each fiscal year thereafter, if the
20 amount of nonwithholding income tax revenues exceeds the capped estimate determined
21 under § 6–104(e) of this article, the State Comptroller shall distribute funds as provided in
22 § 7–329(c) and (d) of this subtitle.

23 7–317.

24 (a) There is a Cigarette Restitution Fund.

25 (g) (1) Amounts may only be expended from the Fund through appropriations
26 in the State budget bill as provided in this subsection.

27 (6) **(I) THIS PARAGRAPH DOES NOT APPLY TO FISCAL YEAR 2027.**

28 **(II)** For each of fiscal years 2025 through 2029, the Governor shall
29 include in the annual budget bill an appropriation of \$8,000,000 to the Maryland
30 Community Health Resources Commission Fund.

31 (h) (1) The Fund shall include a separate account consisting of payments
32 received by the State as a result of litigation by participating manufacturers related to the
33 State’s diligent enforcement of Title 16, Subtitle 4 of the Business Regulation Article.

1 (2) (i) Except as provided in [subparagraph (ii)] **SUBPARAGRAPHS (II)**
2 **AND (III)** of this paragraph, distributions from the separate account may be used only to
3 supplant the General Fund appropriation to the historically black colleges and universities
4 required under [§ 15–126] **§ 15–128** of the Education Article.

5 (ii) For fiscal year 2026 only, distributions from the separate account
6 may be used to support Medicaid expenses.

7 **(III) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONLY, ANY AMOUNT THAT IS**
8 **DISTRIBUTED FROM THE SEPARATE ACCOUNT THAT IS IN EXCESS OF THE FIRST**
9 **\$35,000,000 DISTRIBUTED MAY REMAIN IN THE ACCOUNT OR BE USED FOR**
10 **PURPOSES OTHER THAN SUPPLANTING THE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION TO**
11 **THE HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES REQUIRED UNDER §**
12 **15–128 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.**

13 (i) (1) The Fund shall include a separate account consisting of payments
14 received by the State from any judgment, settlement, penalty, offer of compromise, or any
15 other enforcement action related to the sale and marketing of electronic smoking devices.

16 (2) Distributions from the separate account established under paragraph
17 (1) of this subsection may be used, consistent with any other provision of State law, to
18 supplement the General Fund appropriations designated for programs under subsection (f)
19 of this section with the purpose of reducing the use of tobacco products by individuals under
20 the age of 21 years.

21 7–330.

22 (b) There is a Fiscal Responsibility Fund.

23 (g) (1) Except as provided in [paragraph] PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3) of this
24 subsection, the Fund may be used only to provide pay-as-you-go capital funds for:

25 (i) public school construction and public school capital improvement
26 projects, in accordance with Title 5, Subtitle 3 of the Education Article;

27 (ii) capital projects at public community colleges; and

28 (iii) capital projects at four-year public institutions of higher
29 education.

30 (2) For fiscal year 2023 only, money in the Fund shall be used to provide,
31 beginning July 1, 2022, a cost-of-living adjustment of up to 4.5% for permanent employees
32 in the Executive Branch of State government who are in a bargaining unit that is
33 represented by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees,
34 AFL–CIO, excluding a bargaining unit represented by the American Federation of State,
35 County and Municipal Employees, AFL–CIO Local 1859.

1 **B. \$4,000,000 FOR A GRANT TO THE VELOCITY**
 2 **COMPANIES FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**
 3 **ALONG THE BLUE LINE CORRIDOR;**

4 **C. \$2,000,000 FOR A GRANT TO THE ATLANTIC PACIFIC**
 5 **COMPANIES TO SUPPORT THE ADDISON PARK DEVELOPMENT PROJECT;**

6 **D. \$1,500,000 FOR A GRANT TO THE PRINCE GEORGE'S**
 7 **COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO SUPPORT ARTSPACE IN MOUNT**
 8 **RAINIER;**

9 **E. \$750,000 FOR A GRANT TO THE TOWN OF COLMAR**
 10 **MANOR FOR THE COLMAR MANOR COMMUNITY CENTER AND TOWN HALL; AND**

11 **F. \$750,000 FOR A GRANT TO THE TOWN OF COTTAGE**
 12 **CITY FOR CONVERTING A FIREHOUSE INTO A COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER;**

13 9-20B-02.

14 There is a Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Program in the Maryland Energy
 15 Administration.

16 9-20B-03.

17 The purpose of the Program is to decrease energy demand and increase energy
 18 supply to promote affordable, reliable, and clean energy **AND TO STRENGTHEN THE**
 19 **STATE'S CLIMATE MITIGATION AND CLIMATE RESILIENCY** to fuel Maryland's future
 20 prosperity.

21 9-20B-05.

22 (a) There is a Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund.

23 (f) The Administration shall use the Fund:

24 (13) notwithstanding subsection (g) of this section, to pay costs associated
 25 with:

26 (I) the Air and Radiation Administration within the Department of
 27 the Environment; ~~AND~~

28 (II) **THE POWER PLANT RESEARCH PROGRAM WITHIN THE**
 29 **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, INCLUDING TO SUPPORT**
 30 ~~ENVIRONMENTAL~~ **REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF PUBLIC**

1 CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY ASSOCIATED WITH POWER PLANT CONSTRUCTION AS
 2 REQUIRED UNDER § 3-306 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE; AND

3 (III) THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROGRAM WITHIN THE
 4 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, INCLUDING TO SUPPORT THE REVIEW OF
 5 NATURAL RESOURCE IMPACTS OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS ON STATE
 6 AND PRIVATE LANDS; and

7 (g) Proceeds received by the Fund from the sale of allowances under § 2-1002(g)
 8 of the Environment Article shall be allocated as follows:

9 (3) at least 20% shall be credited to a renewable and clean energy programs
 10 account for:

11 (i) renewable and clean energy programs and initiatives;

12 (ii) energy-related public education and outreach; [and]

13 (iii) climate change and resiliency programs; [and]

14 (IV) PROGRAMS AND APPLICABLE INITIATIVES RELATED TO
 15 STATE CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION AND CLIMATE CHANGE RESILIENCY EFFORTS;
 16 AND

17 (V) NOTWITHSTANDING § 9-20B-03 OF THIS SUBTITLE,
 18 PROGRAMS AND APPLICABLE INITIATIVES RELATED TO RESILIENCY EFFORTS
 19 DEFINED AND IMPLEMENTED BY THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY
 20 MANAGEMENT, INCLUDING THE ANNUAL REPORT BY THE OFFICE OF RESILIENCE
 21 REQUIRED UNDER § 14-1203 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE; AND

22 (i) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs [(2), (3), and (4)] (2) THROUGH (6)
 23 of this subsection, compliance fees paid under § 7-705(b) of the Public Utilities Article may
 24 be used only to make loans and grants to support the creation of new Tier 1 renewable
 25 energy sources in the State that are owned by or directly benefit:

26 (i) low- to moderate-income communities located in a census tract
 27 with an average median income at or below 80% of the average median income for the State;
 28 or

29 (ii) overburdened or underserved communities, as defined in § 1-701
 30 of the Environment Article.

31 (5) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONLY, COMPLIANCE FEES PAID UNDER §§
 32 7-705(B) AND 7-705(B)(2)(I)2 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ARTICLE SHALL BE MADE
 33 AVAILABLE FOR ~~THE FOLLOWING:~~

1 ~~(I) \$70,000,000 TO THE MARYLAND ENERGY ADMINISTRATION~~
 2 ~~TO PROVIDE GAP FINANCING FOR AT-RISK, LARGE-SCALE CLEAN ENERGY~~
 3 ~~PROJECTS;~~

4 ~~(II) \$10,000,000 TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TO~~
 5 ~~CONDUCT RESEARCH INTO GRID ENHANCING TECHNOLOGIES AND ADVANCED~~
 6 ~~TRANSMISSION TECHNOLOGIES;~~

7 ~~(III) \$5,000,000 TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FOR~~
 8 ~~GRANTS TO UTILITY COMPANIES TO CONSTRUCT OR MODIFY TRANSMISSION~~
 9 ~~FACILITIES THAT INCORPORATE GRID ENHANCING AND ADVANCED TRANSMISSION~~
 10 ~~TECHNOLOGIES;~~

11 ~~(IV) \$10,000,000 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION~~
 12 ~~TO ESTABLISH A PROCESS, ESTABLISH A MODEL LEASING FRAMEWORK, AND CREATE~~
 13 ~~SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR TRANSMISSION INFRASTRUCTURE;~~

14 ~~(V) \$25,000,000 TO THE DEDICATED PURPOSE ACCOUNT FOR~~
 15 ~~RESOURCE PLANNING RELATED TO IMPLEMENTATION OF CHAPTER 19 OF THE ACTS~~
 16 ~~OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE 2025 SPECIAL SESSION; AND~~

17 ~~(VI) \$42,000,000 TO THE DEDICATED PURPOSE ACCOUNT TO BE~~
 18 ~~MADE AVAILABLE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION RESEARCH GRANTS IN ANY RESEARCH~~
 19 ~~FIELD AND NOT LIMITED TO ENERGY-RELATED RESEARCH.~~

20 (6) FOR FISCAL YEARS 2027 THROUGH 2031, COMPLIANCE FEES PAID
 21 UNDER § 7-705 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES ARTICLE AND DEPOSITED INTO THE
 22 FUND MAY BE USED FOR GRANTS OR LOANS TO SUPPORT THE CREATION OF NEW
 23 TIER 1 RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES IN THE STATE.

24 21-201.

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

26 (c) “Corps participant” means an individual who participates in the Program.

27 (d) “Department” means the Department of Service and Civic Innovation.

28 (h) “Program” means the Maryland Corps Program.

29 21-205.

30 (a) (1) There is a Young Adult Service Year Option Pathway in the Program.

1 (c) (1) The Department shall set targets for participation in the YA Pathway
2 under this section, including:

3 (i) 200 corps participants in the first year of implementation;

4 (ii) 750 corps participants in the third year of implementation;

5 (iii) [1,500] **1,100** corps participants in the fourth year of
6 implementation; [and]

7 (iv) [2,000] **1,550** corps participants in the fifth year of
8 implementation; AND

9 (v) **2,000 CORPS PARTICIPANTS IN THE SIXTH YEAR OF**
10 **IMPLEMENTATION.**

11 Article – State Personnel and Pensions

12 21–304.

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

14 (2) With respect to local employees, “aggregate annual earnable
15 compensation” means the total annual earnable compensation payable by a local employer
16 to all of its local employees, calculated as of June 30 of the second prior fiscal year before
17 the fiscal year for which the calculation is made under this section, adjusted by any
18 actuarial assumed salary increases that were used in the actuarial valuation prepared
19 under § 21–125(b) of this title for the immediate prior fiscal year.

20 (3) “Local employee” means a member of the Teachers’ Retirement System
21 or the Teachers’ Pension System who is an employee of a day school in the State under the
22 authority and supervision of a county board of education or the Baltimore City Board of
23 School Commissioners, employed as:

24 (i) a clerk;

25 (ii) a helping teacher;

26 (iii) a principal;

27 (iv) a superintendent;

28 (v) a supervisor; or

29 (vi) a teacher.

1 (4) "Local employer" means a county board of education or the Baltimore
2 City Board of School Commissioners.

3 (5) "State member" does not include a member on whose behalf a
4 participating governmental unit is required to make an employer contribution under §
5 21-305 or § 21-306 of this subtitle.

6 (6) "Total employer contribution for local employees" means that portion of
7 the employer contribution calculated under subsection (b) of this section that is attributable
8 to all local employees.

9 (b) (1) Subject to paragraphs (4) and (5) of this subsection, each fiscal year, on
10 behalf of the State members of each State system, the State shall pay to the appropriate
11 accumulation fund an amount equal to or greater than the sum of the amount, if any,
12 required to be included in the budget bill under § 3-501(c)(2)(ii) of this article and the
13 product of multiplying:

14 (i) the aggregate annual earnable compensation of the State
15 members of that State system; and

16 (ii) the sum of the normal contribution rate and the accrued liability
17 contribution rate for State members of that State system, as determined under this section.

18 (4) (i) Subject to § 21-309.1 of this subtitle, beginning on July 1, 2012,
19 and each fiscal year thereafter, each local employer shall pay to the appropriate
20 accumulation fund an amount equal to the local share of the total employer contribution
21 for local employees as provided in this paragraph.

22 (iii) Beginning in fiscal year 2017, each local employer shall pay to
23 the Board of Trustees its local share equal to the normal contribution rate for the Teachers'
24 Retirement System and the Teachers' Pension System multiplied by the aggregate annual
25 earnable compensation of the local employees of that local employer.

26 (5) Except as provided in paragraph (6) of this subsection, the difference
27 between the total employer contribution for local employees and the local share of the total
28 employer contribution for all local employees shall be the obligation of the State.

29 (6) (i) Subject to § 21-309.2 of this subtitle and as provided under
30 subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, beginning in fiscal year [2026] 2027, each county
31 government shall pay to the Board of Trustees the following amounts:

32 County
33 Government

34 Allegany [754,195] 1,139,988

1	Anne Arundel.....	[9,738,875]	13,344,016
2	Baltimore City	[8,802,114]	12,041,167
3	Baltimore	[10,352,112]	15,122,563
4	Calvert	[1,647,480]	2,284,705
5	Caroline.....	[561,645]	785,750
6	Carroll.....	[2,624,055]	3,661,920
7	Cecil.....	[1,327,122]	1,963,691
8	Charles.....	[2,786,366]	3,900,924
9	Dorchester.....	[590,506]	794,625
10	Frederick.....	[5,925,608]	7,899,429
11	Garrett	[269,208]	428,865
12	Harford.....	[3,685,077]	5,297,751
13	Howard.....	[6,830,167]	9,696,329
14	Kent.....	[165,489]	255,179
15	Montgomery	[20,861,475]	28,754,528
16	Prince George's	[13,000,062]	18,675,337
17	Queen Anne's	[691,279]	973,835
18	St. Mary's.....	[1,562,014]	2,205,319
19	Somerset	[314,066]	442,575
20	Talbot	[452,957]	651,179
21	Washington.....	[2,397,889]	3,279,909
22	Wicomico	[1,704,888]	2,379,362
23	Worcester	[699,872]	1,049,543

24 (ii) 1. For fiscal year 2026, each county government shall pay to
 25 the Board of Trustees on or before January 1, 2026, the amount required under
 26 subparagraph (i) of this paragraph.

27 2. Beginning in fiscal year 2027, each county government
 28 shall pay to the Board of Trustees on or before each September 1 the amount required under
 29 subparagraph (i) of this paragraph.

30 (iii) Each fiscal year, the amounts paid under subparagraph (i) of this
 31 paragraph shall reduce the obligations of the State with respect to the Teachers' Pension
 32 System and the Teachers' Retirement System by the same amounts.

33 **Article – Tax – General**

34 2–606.

35 (b) (1) In June of each year, from current collections, the Comptroller shall
 36 reserve an amount of unallocated revenue that the Comptroller estimates will be claimed
 37 on returns and refunded to taxpayers within 3 years of the date the income tax return was
 38 due to be filed, and distribute to each county, municipal corporation, and special taxing
 39 district a pro rata share of the balance of the unallocated individual income tax revenue.

1 ~~(e) (1) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, of the balance of the revenue in~~
2 ~~the special fund, not required under subsection (b) of this section:~~

3 ~~(i) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002, \$47,268,585 shall be~~
4 ~~allocated to the General Fund of the State and the remainder shall be allocated as provided~~
5 ~~in subsection (d) of this section;~~

6 ~~(ii) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, \$102,833,869 shall be~~
7 ~~allocated to the General Fund of the State and the remainder shall be allocated as provided~~
8 ~~in the State budget;~~

9 ~~(iii) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, \$147,374,444 shall be~~
10 ~~allocated to the General Fund of the State, and the remainder shall be allocated as provided~~
11 ~~in the State budget; and~~

12 ~~(iv) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, \$68,223,132 shall be~~
13 ~~allocated to the General Fund of the State and the remainder shall be allocated as provided~~
14 ~~in subsection (d) of this section.~~

15 ~~(2) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, for the fiscal years beginning~~
16 ~~July 1, 2006 and each subsequent fiscal year, the balance of the revenue in the special fund,~~
17 ~~not required under subsection (b) of this section shall be allocated as provided in subsection~~
18 ~~(d) of this section.~~

19 ~~(3) (i) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, for fiscal years 2026~~
20 ~~through 2029, of the balance of the revenue in the special fund not required under~~
21 ~~subsection (b) of this section, \$25,000,000 shall be allocated to the General Fund of the~~
22 ~~State and the remainder shall be allocated as provided in PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS~~
23 ~~SUBSECTION AND subsection (d) of this section.~~

24 ~~(ii) For each of fiscal years 2026 through 2029, the allocation~~
25 ~~required under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph shall reduce the amount allocated for~~
26 ~~Program Open Space land acquisition purposes identified in subsection (d)(1)(ii) of this~~
27 ~~section and § 5-903(a)(2)(i)1A of the Natural Resources Article, the Agricultural Land~~
28 ~~Preservation Fund identified in subsection (d)(2) of this section, and the Rural Legacy~~
29 ~~Program identified in subsection (d)(3) of this section and § 5-903(a)(2)(iii) of the Natural~~
30 ~~Resources Article by an amount that is proportional to the amount of revenue each program~~
31 ~~is estimated to receive for the fiscal year.~~

32 ~~(4) (i) IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL FUND ALLOCATION UNDER~~
33 ~~PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS~~
34 ~~SECTION, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 ONLY, OF THE BALANCE OF THE REVENUE IN THE~~
35 ~~SPECIAL FUND NOT REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION,~~
36 ~~\$71,743,156 SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE AND THE~~
37 ~~REMAINDER SHALL BE ALLOCATED AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS~~
38 ~~SECTION.~~

~~(II) THE AMOUNT ALLOCATED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL REDUCE THE AMOUNT ALLOCATED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS AND FUNDS:~~

~~1. PROGRAM OPEN SPACE (LOCAL) FUNDS IDENTIFIED IN §§ 5-903(A)(2)(II) 2E AND (B)(1) AND 5-905(B)(7) OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE BY \$49,586,156;~~

~~2. RURAL LEGACY PROGRAM FUNDS IDENTIFIED IN SUBSECTION (D)(3) OF THIS SECTION AND § 9-503(A)(2)(III) OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE BY \$13,400,000; AND~~

~~3. FUNDS FOR THE NATURAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT FUND IDENTIFIED FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED IN § 5-903(G)(1) OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES ARTICLE.~~

~~(III) THE ALLOCATIONS REDUCED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL BE REPLACED WITH GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS.~~

~~(d) Subject to subsections (d-1) and (e) of this section, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002 and for each subsequent fiscal year, the balance of the revenue in the special fund, not required under subsection (b) of this section and not allocated to the General Fund under subsection (c)(1) [and], (3), AND (4) of this section shall be allocated in the State budget as follows:~~

~~(1) (i) 75.15% for the purposes specified in Title 5, Subtitle 9 of the Natural Resources Article (Program Open Space); and~~

~~(ii) an additional 1% for Program Open Space, for land acquisition purposes as specified in § 5-903(a)(2) of the Natural Resources Article;~~

~~(2) 17.05% for the Agricultural Land Preservation Fund established under § 2-505 of the Agriculture Article;~~

~~(3) 5% for the Rural Legacy Program established under § 5-9A-01 of the Natural Resources Article; and~~

~~(4) 1.8% for the Heritage Conservation Fund established under § 5-1501 of the Natural Resources Article.~~

~~(e) The sums allocated in subsection (d) of this section may not revert to the General Fund of the State.~~

1 (g) (3) (i) 1. For fiscal year 2023, the Governor shall include in the
2 annual budget bill a General Fund appropriation in the amount of \$2,500,000 to the
3 Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation for the
4 Next Generation Farmland Acquisition Program authorized under § 10-523(a)(3)(ii) of the
5 Economic Development Article.

6 2. For fiscal year 2025 only, the Governor shall include in the
7 annual budget bill a General Fund appropriation in the amount of \$2,735,000 to the
8 Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation
9 established under Title 10, Subtitle 5 of the Economic Development Article to be used as
10 follows:

11 A. \$2,300,000 to support the Corporation's rural business
12 loan programs and small matching grant programs; and

13 B. \$435,000 for grants and near-equity investments to:

14 I. support the creation or expansion of agricultural product
15 aggregation and storage sites; and

16 II. facilitate participation in the Certified Local Farm and
17 Fish Program.

18 3. A. For each of fiscal years 2024, 2025, AND 2026, [and
19 2027,] the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill a General Fund appropriation
20 of \$500,000 to the Urban Agriculture Water and Power Infrastructure Grant Fund
21 established under § 2-2103 of the Agriculture Article.

22 B. FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027, THE GOVERNOR SHALL
23 INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL A GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION OF
24 \$400,000 TO THE URBAN AGRICULTURE WATER AND POWER INFRASTRUCTURE
25 GRANT FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 2-2103 OF THE AGRICULTURE ARTICLE.

26 (ii) The appropriations required under subparagraph (i) of this
27 paragraph:

28 1. are not subject to the provisions of subsections (a), (b), (c),
29 and (f) of this section;

30 2. shall be allocated as provided in subsection (d) of this
31 section and § 5-903 of the Natural Resources Article; and

32 3. shall be reduced by the amount of any appropriation from
33 the General Fund to the special fund that:

1 A. exceeds the required appropriation under this paragraph;
2 and

3 B. is identified as an appropriation for reimbursement under
4 this paragraph.

5 ~~(h) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, if an~~
6 ~~appropriation or a transfer from the special fund to the General Fund occurs after the fiscal~~
7 ~~year ending June 30, 2018, the Governor shall include in the annual budget bills for each~~
8 ~~of the 3 successive fiscal years following the fiscal year in which a transfer is made a~~
9 ~~General Fund appropriation to the special fund equal to one third of the cumulative~~
10 ~~amount of the appropriation or transfer from the special fund to the General Fund for the~~
11 ~~applicable fiscal year.~~

12 ~~(2) The appropriation required under paragraph (1) of this subsection:~~

13 ~~(i) represents reimbursement for the cumulative amount of any~~
14 ~~appropriation or transfer from the special fund to the General Fund for the applicable fiscal~~
15 ~~year;~~

16 ~~(ii) is not subject to the provisions of subsections (a), (b), (c), and (f)~~
17 ~~of this section;~~

18 ~~(iii) shall be allocated as provided in subsection (d) of this section and~~
19 ~~§ 5-903 of the Natural Resources Article;~~

20 ~~(iv) shall be made until the cumulative total appropriated under~~
21 ~~paragraph (1) of this subsection is equal to the cumulative amount of any appropriation or~~
22 ~~transfer from the special fund to the General Fund for the applicable fiscal year; and~~

23 ~~(v) shall be reduced by the amount of any appropriation from the~~
24 ~~General Fund to the special fund that:~~

25 ~~1. exceeds the required appropriation under this subsection;~~
26 and

27 ~~2. is identified as an appropriation for reimbursement under~~
28 ~~this subsection.~~

29 ~~(3) The appropriation required under paragraph (1) of this subsection does~~
30 ~~not apply to transfers from the special fund to the General Fund that occur in fiscal years~~
31 ~~2026 through 2029.~~

32 Article – Transportation

1 (a) In this section, “Fund” means the Maryland Emergency Medical System
2 Operations Fund.

3 (e) Except as provided in subsection (f) of this section, the money in the Fund
4 shall be used solely for:

5 (1) Medically oriented functions of the Department of State Police, Special
6 Operations Bureau, Aviation Division;

7 (2) The Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems;

8 (3) The R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center at the University of
9 Maryland Medical System;

10 (4) The Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute;

11 (5) The provision of grants under the Senator William H. Amoss Fire,
12 Rescue, and Ambulance Fund in accordance with the provisions of Title 8, Subtitle 1 of the
13 Public Safety Article; and

14 (6) The Volunteer Company Assistance Fund in accordance with the
15 provisions of Title 8, Subtitle 2 of the Public Safety Article.

16 (f) For fiscal years 2025 [and 2026] **THROUGH 2029**, the money in the Fund may
17 be used to support general operations of the Department of State Police, Special Operations
18 Bureau, Aviation Command.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
20 as follows:

21 ~~Article — Education~~

22 ~~7-414.1.~~

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

24 ~~(2) “Fund” means the Driver Education in Public High Schools Fund.~~

25 ~~(3) “Program” means the Driver Education in Public High Schools Grant~~
26 ~~Program.~~

27 ~~(b) There is a Driver Education in Public High Schools Grant Program in the~~
28 ~~Department.~~

29 ~~(f) (1) There is a Driver Education in Public High Schools Fund.~~

30 ~~(4) The Fund consists of:~~

1 (i) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or the allocation
2 formulas in § 13–209 of the Tax – Property Article and subject to paragraph (2) of this
3 subsection, the Governor may transfer to the Department funds from the Program Open
4 Space State land acquisition balance if:

5 (i) The balance is more than \$80,000,000 at the end of a given fiscal
6 year; and

7 (ii) The Department’s existing special fund sources are insufficient
8 to cover existing salaries for permanent, classified positions responsible for operating and
9 maintaining lands administered and managed by the Department.

10 (2) After a fund transfer under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the
11 remaining balance must be at least \$80,000,000.

12 (3) (i) The Department may use any amount of the transferred funds
13 as a one–time fiscal year expenditure for:

14 1. Operation and maintenance of lands administered and
15 managed by the Department;

16 2. Administrative expenses related to land acquired by the
17 Department under Program Open Space; or

18 3. Law enforcement activities, services, salaries, and related
19 expenses of the Natural Resources Police.

20 (ii) The Department may transfer any amount of the transferred
21 funds to the Forest or Park Reserve Fund established under § 5–212 of this title.

22 (4) Any fund transfer made under this subsection supplements rather than
23 supplants any other funding for operation, maintenance, and administration of lands
24 administered and managed by the Department regardless of the source of the other
25 funding.

26 **(5) FOR PURPOSES OF THE FUND TRANSFER ALLOWED UNDER THIS**
27 **SUBSECTION, THE BALANCE OF THE HERITAGE CONSERVATION FUND**
28 **ESTABLISHED UNDER § 5–1501 OF THIS TITLE AND ANY OTHER FUNDS**
29 **APPROPRIATED TO PROGRAM OPEN SPACE (STATESIDE) SHALL BE INCLUDED AS**
30 **PART OF THE PROGRAM OPEN SPACE STATE LAND ACQUISITION BALANCE.**

31 ~~Article – Transportation~~

32 ~~17–106.~~

1 ~~(a) If the required security for any vehicle lapses at any time, the registration of~~
2 ~~that vehicle:~~

3 ~~(1) Is suspended automatically as of the date of the lapse effective not later~~
4 ~~than 60 days after notification to the Administration that the lapse has occurred; and~~

5 ~~(2) Remains suspended until:~~

6 ~~(i) The required security is replaced and the vehicle owner submits~~
7 ~~evidence of replaced security on a form as prescribed by the Administration and certified~~
8 ~~by an insurer or insurance producer; and~~

9 ~~(ii) Any uninsured motorist penalty fee assessed is paid to the~~
10 ~~Administration.~~

11 ~~(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each insurer or~~
12 ~~other provider of required security immediately shall notify the Administration~~
13 ~~electronically of those terminations or other lapses that are final.~~

14 ~~(2) Each insurer or other provider of required security for a vehicle~~
15 ~~registered as a Class B (for hire) vehicle under Title 13 of this article shall notify the~~
16 ~~Administration within 45 days after a termination or other lapse that is final and occurs~~
17 ~~anytime after the required security is issued or provided.~~

18 ~~(c) On receipt of a notice under subsection (b) of this section, the Administration~~
19 ~~shall:~~

20 ~~(1) Make a reasonable effort to notify the owner of the vehicle that his~~
21 ~~registration has been suspended; and~~

22 ~~(2) Provide electronically the information contained in the notice of the~~
23 ~~suspension to the Uninsured Division of the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund.~~

24 ~~(d) (1) Within 48 hours after an owner is notified by the Administration of the~~
25 ~~suspension of registration, the owner shall surrender all evidences of that registration to~~
26 ~~the Administration.~~

27 ~~(2) If the owner fails to surrender the evidences of registration within the~~
28 ~~48-hour period, the Administration:~~

29 ~~(i) Shall attempt to recover from the owner the evidences of~~
30 ~~registration; and~~

31 ~~(ii) May suspend his license to drive until he returns to the Motor~~
32 ~~Vehicle Administration the evidences of registration.~~

~~(3) The Administration may enter into contracts with private parties to procure the services of independent agents to assist in the recovery of the evidences of registration as authorized in paragraph (2) of this subsection.~~

~~(c) (1) (i) 1. Except as provided in subparagraphs (iv) and (v) of this paragraph, in addition to any other penalty provided for in the Maryland Vehicle Law, if the required security for a vehicle terminates or otherwise lapses during its registration year, the Administration may assess the owner of the vehicle with a penalty of \$200 for each vehicle without the required security for a period of 1 to 30 days.~~

~~2. If a fine is assessed, beginning on the 31st day the fine shall increase by a rate of \$7 for each day.~~

~~(ii) Each period during which the required security for a vehicle terminates or otherwise lapses shall constitute a separate violation.~~

~~(iii) The penalty imposed under this subsection may not exceed \$3,500 for each violation in a 12-month period.~~

~~(iv) The Administration may not assess a penalty under this subsection if:~~

~~1. The registration plates of the vehicle are returned to the Administration within 10 days after the termination or lapse of the required security, as shown by the records of the Administration; and~~

~~2. A. The certificate of title for the vehicle has been transferred to a new owner;~~

~~B. The registered owner has moved out of state and the registration plates are returned by mail;~~

~~C. A salvage certificate has been issued for the vehicle; or~~

~~D. A licensed dealer has taken possession of the vehicle with an obligation to return the registration plates.~~

~~(v) Before the Administration may assess a penalty under this subsection, the Administration shall first verify that the registration plates for the vehicle were not returned to the Administration within 10 days after the termination or lapse of the required security.~~

~~(2) (i) Except as provided under paragraph (3) of this subsection, a penalty assessed under this subsection shall be paid as follows:~~

~~1. 70% to be allocated as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph; and~~

~~2. 30% to the Administration, which may be used by the Administration, subject to subsection (f) of this section, to provide funding for contracts with independent agents to assist in the recovery of evidences of registration as authorized in subsection (d)(3) of this section.~~

~~(ii) For each fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2014, the percentage of the penalties specified under subparagraph (i)1 of this paragraph shall be allocated among the Safe Schools Fund, the Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund, the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund, [the Driver Education in Public High Schools Fund,] the State Aided Institutions Field Trip Fund, and the General Fund as follows:~~

~~1. \$600,000 to the Safe Schools Fund;~~

~~2. \$2,000,000 to the Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund;~~

~~3. The amounts specified under subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph to the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund;~~

~~4. [\$2,000,000 to the Driver Education in Public High Schools Fund;~~

~~5.] \$600,000 to the State Aided Institutions Field Trip Fund;~~
and

~~[6.] 5. The balance to the General Fund.~~

~~(iii) 1. Except for fiscal year 2024 and except as provided under subsubparagraph 3 of this subparagraph, the amount distributed to the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund under subparagraph (ii)3 of this paragraph shall equal the amount distributed to the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund in the prior fiscal year under the provisions of this paragraph adjusted by the change for the calendar year preceding the fiscal year in the Consumer Price Index — All Urban Consumers — Medical Care as published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics.~~

~~2. For fiscal year 2024, the amount distributed to the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund under subparagraph (ii)3 of this paragraph shall equal the amount distributed to the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund in the prior fiscal year under the provisions of this paragraph adjusted by the change for the calendar year preceding the fiscal year in the Consumer Price Index — All Urban Consumers — Medical Care as published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics plus an additional \$2,000,000.~~

~~3. For fiscal year 2025, the amount distributed to the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund under subparagraph (ii)3 of this paragraph shall~~

~~equal the amount distributed to the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund calculated in accordance with subparagraph 1 of this subparagraph:~~

~~A. Plus an additional \$3,000,000 dedicated to the exclusive use of the Uninsured Division, which shall become part of the base amount used to calculate the amount distributed under subparagraph 1 of this subparagraph in subsequent fiscal years; but~~

~~B. Excluding the \$2,000,000 distributed to the Fund in fiscal year 2024.~~

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Tax – General

10–210.1.

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

(2) “Depreciation” includes any deduction allowed under § 179 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(3) “Heavy duty SUV” means a 4–wheeled vehicle that:

(i) is manufactured primarily for use on public streets, roads, and highways;

(ii) is rated at more than 6,000 but not more than 14,000 pounds gross vehicle weight; and

(iii) would be a passenger automobile as defined in § 280F of the Internal Revenue Code if it were rated at 6,000 pounds gross vehicle weight or less.

(4) (i) “Manufacturing entity” means a person conducting or operating a trade or business that is primarily engaged in activities that, in accordance with the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS), United States Manual, United States Office of Management and Budget, 2012 Edition, would be included in Sector 31, 32, or 33.

(ii) “Manufacturing entity” does not include a refiner, as defined in § 10–101 of the Business Regulation Article.

(b) In addition to the modifications under §§ 10–204 through 10–210 of this subtitle, to determine Maryland adjusted gross income of an individual:

1 (1) (i) except as provided in item (ii) of this item, an amount is added to
2 or subtracted from federal adjusted gross income to reflect the determination of the
3 depreciation deduction provided under § 167(a) of the Internal Revenue Code and the
4 adjusted basis of property without regard to the additional allowance under § 168(k) of the
5 Internal Revenue Code; and

6 [(ii) item (i) of this item does not apply to property placed in service
7 by a manufacturing entity on or after January 1, 2019;]

8 **(II) FOR A MANUFACTURING ENTITY, AN AMOUNT IS ADDED TO**
9 **OR SUBTRACTED FROM FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME TO REFLECT THE**
10 **DETERMINATION OF THE DEPRECIATION DEDUCTION PROVIDED UNDER § 167(A) OF**
11 **THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND THE ADJUSTED BASIS OF PROPERTY BY**
12 **LIMITING THE ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCE UNDER § 168(K) OF THE INTERNAL**
13 **REVENUE CODE TO 20% OF THE ADJUSTED BASIS OF THE QUALIFIED PROPERTY;**

14 (2) AN AMOUNT IS ADDED TO OR SUBTRACTED FROM FEDERAL
15 ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME TO REFLECT THE DETERMINATION OF THE
16 DEPRECIATION DEDUCTION PROVIDED UNDER § 167(A) OF THE INTERNAL
17 REVENUE CODE AND THE ADJUSTED BASIS OF PROPERTY WITHOUT REGARD TO THE
18 ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCE UNDER § 168(N) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE;

19 (3) an amount is added to or subtracted from federal adjusted gross income
20 to determine the net operating loss deduction allowed under § 172 of the Internal Revenue
21 Code without regard to an election under § 172(b)(1)(H) of the Internal Revenue Code for a
22 carryback period of up to 5 years;

23 [(3)] (4) (i) except as provided in item (ii) of this item, an amount is
24 added to or subtracted from federal adjusted gross income to reflect the determination of
25 the maximum aggregate costs that the taxpayer may treat as an expense under § 179 of
26 the Internal Revenue Code for any taxable year without regard to any changes made to
27 that section after December 31, 2002:

28 1. increasing above \$25,000 the dollar limitation set forth in
29 § 179(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code; or

30 2. increasing above \$200,000 the phase-out threshold set
31 forth in § 179(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code; and

32 (ii) item (i) of this item does not apply to property that is placed in
33 service by a manufacturing entity on or after January 1, 2019;

34 [(4)] (5) an amount is added to or subtracted from federal adjusted gross
35 income to reflect the recognition of income from discharge of indebtedness and the

1 allowance of any deduction with respect to original issue discount without regard to § 108(i)
2 of the Internal Revenue Code; and

3 ~~[(5)]~~ (6) an amount is added to or subtracted from federal adjusted gross
4 income to reflect the determination of the depreciation deduction with respect to any heavy
5 duty SUV as if the heavy duty SUV were subject to the limitations of § 280F of the Internal
6 Revenue Code in the same manner as it would be if the vehicle were rated at 6,000 pounds
7 gross vehicle weight or less.

8 10-740.

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

10 (2) “Commission” means the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

11 (3) “Qualified taxpayer” means an individual who has:

12 (i) incurred at least \$20,000 in undergraduate or graduate student
13 loan debt or both; and

14 (ii) has at least \$5,000 in outstanding undergraduate or graduate
15 student loan debt or both when submitting an application under subsection (c) of this
16 section.

17 (b) Subject to the limitations of this section, a qualified taxpayer may claim a
18 credit against the State income tax for the taxable year in which the Commission certifies
19 a tax credit under this section.

20 (c) (1) (i) By September 15 of each year, an individual shall submit an
21 application to the Commission for the credit allowed under this section.

22 (ii) The individual shall submit with the application an assurance
23 that the individual will use any credit approved under this section for the repayment of the
24 individual’s undergraduate or graduate student loan debt or both as soon as practicable.

25 (iii) 1. The total amount of the credit claimed under this section
26 shall be recaptured if the individual does not use the credit approved under this section for
27 the repayment of the individual’s undergraduate or graduate student loan debt or both
28 within 3 years from the close of the taxable year for which the credit is claimed.

29 2. The individual who claimed the credit shall pay the total
30 amount of the credit claimed as taxes payable to the State for the taxable year in which the
31 event requiring recapture of the credit occurs.

32 (2) By December 15 of each year the Commission shall certify to the
33 individual the amount of any tax credit approved by the Commission under this section,
34 not to exceed \$5,000.

1 (3) (i) For tax year 2025, the total amount of tax credits approved by
2 the Commission under this section may not exceed ~~[\$9,000,000]~~ **\$16,000,000.**

3 **(II) FOR TAX YEAR 2026, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS**
4 **APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION UNDER THIS SECTION MAY NOT EXCEED**
5 **\$9,000,000.**

6 [(ii)] (iii) For any taxable year after ~~[2025]~~ **2026**, the total amount
7 of tax credits approved by the Commission under this section may not exceed \$18,000,000.

8 (4) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, the
9 Commission shall reserve \$9,000,000 of the tax credits authorized under paragraph (3) of
10 this subsection for the following individuals in the following order of priority:

11 1. State employees who graduated from institutions of
12 higher education in the State where at least 40% of the attendees are eligible to receive
13 federal Pell Grants; and

14 2. all other State employees not described under item 1 of
15 this subparagraph.

16 (ii) If the total amount of tax credits applied for by individuals
17 described under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph is less than \$9,000,000 for a taxable
18 year, the Commission may make available the unused amount of credits for use by other
19 qualified taxpayers.

20 (5) To claim the tax credit allowed under this section, an individual shall
21 attach a copy of the Commission's certification of the approved credit amount to the income
22 tax return.

23 (g) (1) On or before January 1 each year, the Commission shall report to the
24 Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the General
25 Assembly on:

26 (i) the number of applicants for the tax credit authorized under this
27 section;

28 (ii) the number and amounts of tax credits awarded under this
29 section to qualified taxpayers;

30 (iii) a breakdown of the age, gender, race, income, and counties of
31 residency of qualified taxpayers who receive the credit; and

32 (iv) any additional information that the Commission deems relevant.

1 (2) On or before [January] **DECEMBER 1**, 2026, the Commission shall
2 report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article,
3 the General Assembly recommendations for changes to statute or regulations that would
4 better target the allocation of tax credits under this program.

5 (i) The tax credit under this section shall be referred to as the Student Loan Debt
6 Relief Tax Credit.

7 10–741.

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

9 (2) “Business entity” has the meaning stated in § 6–801 of the Economic
10 Development Article.

11 (3) “Department” means the Department of Commerce.

12 (4) “Eligible project” has the meaning stated in § 6–801 of the Economic
13 Development Article.

14 (5) “Existing business entity” has the meaning stated in § 6–801 of the
15 Economic Development Article.

16 (6) “New business entity” has the meaning stated in § 6–801 of the Economic
17 Development Article.

18 (7) “Qualified business entity” has the meaning stated in § 6–801 of the
19 Economic Development Article.

20 (8) “Qualified position” has the meaning stated in § 6–801 of the Economic
21 Development Article.

22 (9) “Tier I area” has the meaning stated in § 6–801 of the Economic
23 Development Article.

24 (10) “Tier II area” has the meaning stated in § 6–801 of the Economic
25 Development Article.

26 (b) (1) Subject to the limitations of this section, an individual or corporation
27 that is a new business entity that operates an eligible project in a Tier I area or an existing
28 business entity that operates an eligible project may claim a credit against the State income
29 tax equal to the amount stated in the final tax credit certificate approved by the Department
30 for an eligible project.

31 (2) The amount of the credit authorized under paragraph (1) of this
32 subsection is equal to the product of:

1 (i) 1. if the qualified business entity received a certificate under
2 § 6–805 of the Economic Development Article before June 1, 2022, 5.75%; or

3 2. if the qualified business entity received a certificate under
4 § 6–805 of the Economic Development Article on or after June 1, 2022, 4.75%; and

5 (ii) the total amount of wages paid for each qualified position at an
6 eligible project.

7 (3) If the tax credit allowed under this section in any taxable year exceeds
8 the total tax otherwise payable by the qualified business entity for that taxable year, the
9 qualified business entity may claim a refund in the amount of the excess.

10 (c) (1) On enrollment in the More Jobs for Marylanders Program established
11 under Title 6, Subtitle 8 of the Economic Development Article, a qualified business entity
12 shall apply to the Department for a tax credit certificate.

13 (2) The application shall be in the form and shall contain the information
14 the Department requires.

15 (3) (i) Subject to subsections (d) and (e) of this section, the Department
16 may issue a tax credit certificate to a qualified business entity in an amount not to exceed
17 the amount determined under subsection (b)(2) of this section.

18 (ii) In determining the allocation of the aggregate tax credit amounts
19 available in a fiscal year as provided under subsection (d) of this section, the Department
20 shall give priority to applications for eligible projects in a Tier I area, as defined under §
21 6–801 of the Economic Development Article.

22 (d) (1) In this subsection, “Reserve Fund” means the More Jobs for Marylanders
23 Tax Credit Reserve Fund established under paragraph (2) of this subsection.

24 (2) (i) There is a More Jobs for Marylanders Tax Credit Reserve Fund
25 that is a special continuing, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to § 7–302 of the State
26 Finance and Procurement Article.

27 (ii) The money in the Reserve Fund shall be invested and reinvested
28 by the Treasurer, and interest and earnings shall be credited to the General Fund.

29 (3) (i) Subject to the limitations of this subsection, the Department shall
30 issue an initial tax credit certificate in an amount equal to a percentage of total wages paid
31 for each qualified position at an eligible project as calculated under subsection (b)(2) of this
32 section.

33 (ii) An initial tax credit certificate issued under this subsection shall
34 state the maximum amount of tax credit for which the qualified business entity is eligible.

1 (iii) 1. Except as otherwise provided in this subparagraph, for any
2 fiscal year, the Department may not issue initial tax credit certificates for credit amounts in
3 the aggregate totaling more than:

4 A. with respect to qualified business entities provided a
5 certificate under § 6-805 of the Economic Development Article before June 1, 2022,
6 \$9,000,000 in a fiscal year; and

7 B. with respect to qualified business entities provided a
8 certificate under § 6-805 of the Economic Development Article on or after June 1, 2022,
9 \$5,000,000 in a fiscal year.

10 2. If the aggregate credit amounts under initial tax credit
11 certificates issued in a fiscal year total less than the maximum provided under
12 subsubparagraph 1 of this subparagraph, any excess amount shall remain in the Reserve
13 Fund.

14 3. For any fiscal year, if funds are transferred from the
15 Reserve Fund under the authority of any provision of law other than under paragraph (4) of
16 this subsection, the maximum credit amounts in the aggregate for which the Department
17 may issue initial tax credit certificates shall be reduced by the amount transferred.

18 (iv) For fiscal year 2019 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor
19 shall include in the annual budget bill an appropriation to the Reserve Fund in an amount
20 that is no less than the amount the Department reports is necessary under subsection (e) of
21 this section to:

22 1. maintain the current level of manufacturing activity in the
23 State;

24 2. attract new manufacturing activity to the State; and

25 3. attract new businesses to and encourage the expansion of
26 existing businesses within opportunity zones in the State.

27 (v) Notwithstanding the provisions of § 7-213 of the State Finance
28 and Procurement Article, the Governor may not reduce an appropriation to the Reserve Fund
29 in the State budget as approved by the General Assembly.

30 (vi) 1. [Based] SUBJECT TO SUBSUBPARAGRAPHS 2 AND 3 OF
31 THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, BASED on an amount equal to a percentage of the total actual wages
32 paid for each qualified position at an eligible project as calculated under subsection (b)(2) of
33 this section, the Department shall issue a final tax credit certificate to the qualified business
34 entity.

1 **2. FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINAL**
2 **TAX CREDIT CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT EXCEED**
3 **\$15,000,000.**

4 **3. IF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF FINAL TAX CREDIT**
5 **CERTIFICATES THE DEPARTMENT IS REQUIRED TO ISSUE UNDER THIS**
6 **SUBPARAGRAPH EXCEEDS \$15,000,000 IN FISCAL YEAR 2027, THE DEPARTMENT**
7 **SHALL ISSUE FINAL TAX CREDIT CERTIFICATES TO QUALIFIED BUSINESS ENTITIES**
8 **ON A PRO RATA BASIS.**

9 (4) (i) Except as provided in this paragraph, money appropriated to the
10 Reserve Fund shall remain in the Fund.

11 (ii) 1. Within 15 days after the end of each calendar quarter, the
12 Department shall notify the Comptroller as to each final credit certificate issued during the
13 quarter:

14 A. the maximum credit amount stated in the initial tax credit
15 certificate for the qualified business entity; and

16 B. the final certified credit amount for the qualified business
17 entity.

18 2. On notification that a final credit amount has been
19 certified, the Comptroller shall transfer **FROM THE RESERVE FUND TO THE GENERAL**
20 **FUND:**

21 A. **FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027, an amount equal to the credit**
22 amount stated in the [initial] FINAL tax credit certificate for the qualified business entity
23 [[from the Reserve Fund to the General Fund]; AND

24 B. **FOR FISCAL YEAR 2028 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR**
25 **THEREAFTER, AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE CREDIT AMOUNT STATED IN THE INITIAL**
26 **TAX CREDIT CERTIFICATE FOR THE QUALIFIED BUSINESS ENTITY.**

27 (e) On or before July 1 each year, the Department shall report to the Governor and,
28 subject to § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on the amount of
29 tax credits necessary to:

30 (1) maintain the current level of manufacturing activity in the State;

31 (2) attract new manufacturing activity to the State; and

32 (3) attract new businesses to and encourage the expansion of existing
33 businesses within opportunity zones in the State.

1 (f) The Department and the Comptroller jointly shall adopt regulations to carry
 2 out the provisions of this section and to specify criteria and procedures for the application
 3 for, approval of, and monitoring of continuing eligibility for the tax credit under this section.

4 ~~SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read~~
 5 ~~as follows:~~

6 ~~**Chapter 275 of the Acts of 2023**~~

7 ~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Maryland Department of~~
 8 ~~Health [shall] MAY apply to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services~~
 9 ~~Administration at the Center for Mental Health Services for inclusion in the state certified~~
 10 ~~community behavioral health clinic demonstration program for fiscal year [2026] 2029,~~
 11 ~~SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS OF THE STATE BUDGET.~~

12 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
 13 as follows:

14 **Article – Tax – General**

15 10-102.1.

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

17 (8) “Pass-through entity’s taxable income” means the portion of a
 18 pass-through entity’s income under the federal Internal Revenue Code, calculated without
 19 regard to any deduction for taxes based on net income that are imposed by any state or
 20 political subdivision of a state, that is:

21 (i) in the case of a member who is a resident[.]:

22 1. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER ITEM 2 OF THIS ITEM,
 23 equal to the member’s distributive or pro rata shares of the pass-through entity; or

24 2. ON ELECTION BY A PASS-THROUGH ENTITY IN
 25 ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (D)(4) OF THIS SECTION, DERIVED FROM OR
 26 REASONABLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE TRADE OR BUSINESS OF THE PASS-THROUGH
 27 ENTITY IN THE STATE; OR

28 (ii) in the [cases] CASE of a nonresident member, derived from or
 29 reasonably attributable to the trade or business of the pass-through entity in this State.

30 (b) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, in addition to any other tax
 31 imposed under this title, a tax is imposed on each pass-through entity.

1 (2) Each pass-through entity:

2 (i) shall pay the tax imposed under paragraph (1) of this subsection
3 with respect to the distributive shares or pro rata shares of the nonresident and nonresident
4 entity members of the pass-through entity; or

5 (ii) may elect to pay the tax imposed under paragraph (1) of this
6 subsection with respect to the distributive shares or pro rata shares of all members of the
7 pass-through entity.

8 (d) (1) With respect to a pass-through entity that pays the tax imposed under
9 subsection (b)(1) of this section in accordance with subsection (b)(2)(i) of this section, the tax
10 imposed is the sum of:

11 (i) a rate equal to the sum of the rate of the tax imposed under §
12 10-106.1 of this subtitle and the top marginal State tax rate for individuals under §
13 10-105(a) of this subtitle applied to the sum of each nonresident individual member's
14 distributive share or pro rata share of the pass-through entity's nonresident taxable income;
15 and

16 (ii) the rate of the tax for a corporation under § 10-105(b) of this
17 subtitle applied to the sum of each nonresident entity member's distributive share or pro rata
18 share of the pass-through entity's nonresident taxable income.

19 (2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A
20 PASS-THROUGH ENTITY THAT PAYS THE TAX IMPOSED UNDER SUBSECTION (B)(1)
21 OF THIS SECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (B)(2)(II) OF THIS SECTION
22 SHALL CALCULATE PASS-THROUGH ENTITY TAXABLE INCOME FOR RESIDENT
23 MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A)(8)(I)1 OF THIS SECTION.

24 (3) With respect to a pass-through entity that pays the tax imposed under
25 subsection (b)(1) of this section in accordance with subsection (b)(2)(ii) of this section AND
26 CALCULATES PASS-THROUGH ENTITY TAXABLE INCOME FOR RESIDENT MEMBERS IN
27 ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A)(8)(I)1 OF THIS SECTION, the tax imposed is the
28 sum of:

29 (i) a rate equal to the sum of the rate of the tax imposed under §
30 10-106.1 of this subtitle and the top marginal State tax rate for individuals under §
31 10-105(a) of this subtitle applied to the sum of each individual member's distributive share
32 or pro rata share of the pass-through entity's taxable income; and

33 (ii) the rate of the tax for a corporation under § 10-105(b) of this
34 subtitle applied to the sum of each entity member's distributive share or pro rata share of
35 the pass-through entity's taxable income.

1 **(4) A PASS-THROUGH ENTITY THAT PAYS THE TAX IMPOSED UNDER**
2 **SUBSECTION (B)(1) OF THIS SECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (B)(2)(II)**
3 **OF THIS SECTION MAY ELECT TO CALCULATE PASS-THROUGH ENTITY TAXABLE**
4 **INCOME FOR RESIDENT MEMBERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A)(8)(I)2 OF**
5 **THIS SECTION.**

6 **(5) WITH RESPECT TO A PASS-THROUGH ENTITY THAT PAYS THE TAX**
7 **IMPOSED UNDER SUBSECTION (B)(1) OF THIS SECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH**
8 **SUBSECTION (B)(2)(II) OF THIS SECTION AND ELECTS TO CALCULATE**
9 **PASS-THROUGH ENTITY TAXABLE INCOME FOR RESIDENT MEMBERS IN**
10 **ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A)(8)(I)2 OF THIS SECTION, THE TAX IMPOSED IS**
11 **THE SUM OF:**

12 **(I) A RATE EQUAL TO THE SUM OF THE RATE OF THE TAX**
13 **IMPOSED UNDER § 10-106.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE AND THE TOP MARGINAL STATE TAX**
14 **RATE FOR INDIVIDUALS UNDER § 10-105(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE APPLIED TO THE SUM**
15 **OF EACH RESIDENT INDIVIDUAL MEMBER'S DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OR PRO RATA**
16 **SHARE OF THE PASS-THROUGH ENTITY'S TAXABLE INCOME AS DESCRIBED UNDER**
17 **SUBSECTION (A)(8)(I)2 OF THIS SECTION;**

18 **(II) THE RATE OF THE TAX FOR A CORPORATION UNDER §**
19 **10-105(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE APPLIED TO THE SUM OF EACH RESIDENT ENTITY**
20 **MEMBER'S DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OR PRO RATA SHARE OF THE PASS-THROUGH**
21 **ENTITY'S TAXABLE INCOME AS DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(8)(I)2 OF THIS**
22 **SECTION;**

23 **(III) A RATE EQUAL TO THE SUM OF THE RATE OF THE TAX**
24 **IMPOSED UNDER § 10-106.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE AND THE TOP MARGINAL STATE TAX**
25 **RATE FOR INDIVIDUALS UNDER § 10-105(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE APPLIED TO THE SUM**
26 **OF EACH NONRESIDENT INDIVIDUAL MEMBER'S DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OR PRO RATA**
27 **SHARE OF THE PASS-THROUGH ENTITY'S NONRESIDENT TAXABLE INCOME; AND**

28 **(IV) THE RATE OF THE TAX FOR A CORPORATION UNDER §**
29 **10-105(B) OF THIS SUBTITLE APPLIED TO THE SUM OF EACH NONRESIDENT ENTITY**
30 **MEMBER'S DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OR PRO RATA SHARE OF THE PASS-THROUGH**
31 **ENTITY'S NONRESIDENT TAXABLE INCOME.**

32 **(6) (I) A PASS-THROUGH ENTITY THAT PAYS THE TAX UNDER**
33 **SUBSECTION (B)(1) OF THIS SECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (B)(2)(II)**
34 **OF THIS SECTION SHALL INDICATE, IN THE FORM AND MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE**
35 **COMPTROLLER, WHETHER THE PASS-THROUGH ENTITY IS CALCULATING THE TAX IN**
36 **ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (2) OR (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**

1 (II) IF A PASS-THROUGH ENTITY FAILS TO INDICATE IN
 2 ACCORDANCE WITH SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH THE MANNER IN WHICH
 3 THE PASS-THROUGH ENTITY IS CALCULATING THE TAX, THE TAX SHALL BE
 4 CALCULATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

5 [(3)] (7) The tax required to be paid for any taxable year by a pass-through
 6 entity may not exceed:

7 (i) with respect to a pass-through entity that pays the tax imposed
 8 under subsection (b)(1) of this section in accordance with subsection (b)(2)(i) of this section,
 9 the sum of all of the nonresident and nonresident entity members' shares of the pass-through
 10 entity's distributable cash flow; and

11 (ii) with respect to a pass-through entity that pays the tax imposed
 12 under subsection (b)(1) of this section in accordance with subsection (b)(2)(ii) of this section,
 13 the sum of all of the members' shares of the pass-through entity's distributable cash flow.

14 Chapter 604 of the Acts of 2025

15 SECTION 35. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 5 of this Act shall
 16 take effect January 1, 2026, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after
 17 December 31, [2025] 2026.

18 SECTION ~~4~~ 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
 19 as follows:

20 Article – Local Government

21 20–403.

22 (a) Except as provided in § 20–404 of this subtitle, a county may impose, by
 23 resolution, a hotel rental tax.

24 (b) (1) This subsection applies only to Calvert County, Charles County, and St.
 25 Mary's County.

26 (2) The governing body of a county shall hold a public hearing before
 27 imposing a hotel rental tax.

28 (c) (1) Subject to subsection (d) of this section, Titles 1, 2, and 11 and Title 13,
 29 Subtitle 3 of the Tax – General Article and this title shall prevail to the extent of any conflict
 30 with any local law, ordinance, or resolution relating to the county hotel rental tax.

31 (d) Beginning January 1, [2028] 2029, Titles 1, 2, and 11 and Title 13, Subtitle 3
 32 of the Tax – General Article and this title shall prevail to the extent of any conflict with an
 33 agreement between a county and an accommodations intermediary.

1 20-434.

2 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a municipality that
3 imposes a hotel rental tax may:

4 (1) provide for the administration and collection of the tax; and

5 (2) impose penalties for failure to collect, report, or pay the tax.

6 (b) The Comptroller shall:

7 (1) collect the municipal hotel rental tax from accommodations
8 intermediaries in the same manner as the county hotel rental tax under this subtitle; and

9 (2) distribute to a municipality, before the last day of the next month, the
10 hotel tax revenue that is collected on behalf of the municipality from an accommodations
11 intermediary during the preceding month.

12 (d) (1) Subject to subsection (e) of this section, Title 11 and Title 13, Subtitle 3
13 of the Tax – General Article and this title shall prevail to the extent of any conflict with
14 any local law, ordinance, or resolution relating to a municipal hotel rental tax.

15 (e) Beginning January 1, [2028] 2029, Title 11 and Title 13, Subtitle 3 of the
16 Tax – General Article and this title shall prevail to the extent of any conflict with an
17 agreement between a municipality and an accommodations intermediary.

18 **Chapter 638 of the Acts of 2025**

19 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July**
20 **1, [2027] 2028.**

21 **SECTION ~~5~~ 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read**
22 **as follows:**

23 **Article – Transportation**

24 13-936.

25 (a) In this section, “historic motor vehicle” means a motor vehicle, including a
26 passenger vehicle, motorcycle, or truck that:

27 (1) Is [a model year of 1999 or earlier] AT LEAST 25 YEARS OLD;

28 (2) Has not been substantially altered from the manufacturer’s original
29 design; and

1 (3) Meets criteria contained in regulations adopted by the Administration.

2 (b) In this section, “historic motor vehicle” does not include a vehicle that has been
3 remanufactured or reconstructed as a replica of an original vehicle.

4 (c) If registered with the Administration under this section, every historic motor
5 vehicle is a Class L (historic) vehicle.

6 (d) Except as provided in subsection (i) of this section, for each Class L (historic)
7 vehicle, the annual registration fee is:

8 (1) On or after July 1, 2024, but before July 1, 2025, \$45.50; and

9 (2) On or after July 1, 2025, \$55.50.

10 (e) In applying for registration of a historic motor vehicle under this section, the
11 owner of the vehicle shall submit with the application a certification that the vehicle for
12 which the application is made:

13 (1) Will be maintained for use in exhibitions, club activities, parades, tours,
14 and occasional transportation; and

15 (2) Will not be used:

16 (i) For general daily transportation;

17 (ii) Primarily for the transportation of passengers or property on
18 highways;

19 (iii) For employment;

20 (iv) For transportation to and from employment or school; or

21 (v) For commercial purposes.

22 (f) Except as provided in § 13–936.1 of this subtitle, on registration of a vehicle
23 under this section, the Administration shall issue a special, historic motor vehicle
24 registration plate of the size and design that the Administration determines.

25 (g) Unless the presence of the equipment was specifically required by a statute of
26 this State as a condition of sale when the vehicle was manufactured, the presence of any
27 specific equipment is not required for the operation of a vehicle registered under this
28 section.

29 (h) (1) A vehicle with a model year of 1985 or earlier registered under this
30 section is exempt from any statute that requires vehicle inspections.

1 (2) A vehicle registered under this section is exempt from any statute that
2 requires the use and inspection of emission controls.

3 (i) (1) For a motor vehicle manufactured at least 60 years prior to the current
4 model year, there is a onetime registration fee of \$50.00.

5 (2) Registration of a motor vehicle manufactured under this subsection is
6 not transferable to a subsequent owner.

7 SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
8 as follows:

9 Chapter 212 of the Acts of 2025

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT § 5-650.1 OF THE
11 CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS ARTICLE, AS ENACTED BY SECTION 1 OF THIS
12 ACT, SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO APPLY ONLY PROSPECTIVELY ON OR AFTER
13 OCTOBER 1, 2025, AND MAY NOT BE APPLIED OR INTERPRETED TO HAVE ANY EFFECT
14 ON THE ESCHEATMENT OF NONESCHEAT CAPITAL CREDITS BEFORE OCTOBER 1,
15 2025.

16 SECTION [2.] 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 October 1, 2025.

18 Chapter 213 of the Acts of 2025

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT § 5-650.1 OF THE
20 CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS ARTICLE, AS ENACTED BY SECTION 1 OF THIS
21 ACT, SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO APPLY ONLY PROSPECTIVELY ON OR AFTER
22 OCTOBER 1, 2025, AND MAY NOT BE APPLIED OR INTERPRETED TO HAVE ANY EFFECT
23 ON THE ESCHEATMENT OF NONESCHEAT CAPITAL CREDITS BEFORE OCTOBER 1,
24 2025.

25 SECTION [2.] 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
26 October 1, 2025.

27 SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
28 as follows:

29 Chapter 9 of the Acts of the 2025 Special Session

30 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
31 That:

32 (b) There is a Maryland Reparations Commission.

1 (c) The Commission consists of:

2 (7) one member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored
 3 People, [designated by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
 4 Maryland State Conference President] APPOINTED JOINTLY BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE
 5 SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE;

6 (12) a representative of the Maryland Lynching Truth and Reconciliation
 7 Commission, designated by the Chair of the Commission; [and]

8 (13) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND COMMISSION FOR
 9 AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE, DESIGNATED BY THE CHAIR OF THE
 10 COMMISSION;

11 (14) ONE FAITH LEADER APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE
 12 SENATE;

13 (15) ONE FAITH LEADER APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE;

14 ~~[(13)]~~ (16) the following members appointed by the Governor:

15 (i) a mental health expert;

16 (ii) two historians, with expertise in researching the impacts of
 17 enslavement and housing segregation;

18 (iii) a representative of a religious institution that serves a community
 19 with a high minority population;

20 (iv) an attorney with expertise in civil rights law or constitutional law;

21 AND

22 (v) a representative of an African American financial institution; and

23 ~~[(vi)]~~ two members of the general public]

24 (17) FOUR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC, TWO APPOINTED BY
 25 THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND TWO APPOINTED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE
 26 HOUSE.

27 (g) (1) The Commission shall:

28 (I) HOLD AT LEAST THREE PUBLIC HEARINGS AND
 29 CONTINUOUSLY SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT;

1 [(i)] (II) study and make recommendations relating to appropriate
 2 benefits to be offered to individuals impacted by historical inequality;

3 [(ii)] (III) on or before [January 1, 2027] **SEPTEMBER 1, 2028,**
 4 submit a preliminary report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in
 5 accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly; and

6 [(iii)] (IV) on or before [November 1, 2027] **DECEMBER 1, 2028,**
 7 submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in
 8 accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
 10 1, 2025. It shall remain effective for a period of [3] 4 years and, at the end of June 30, [2028]
 11 2029, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated
 12 and of no further force and effect.

13 SECTION ~~5~~ ~~6~~ 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the unexpended fiscal
 14 year 2018 special fund appropriation of \$980,000 for outdoor recreation land loan – capital
 15 appropriation (K00A05.10) within the Department of Natural Resources allocated to the
 16 College of Southern Maryland may be repurposed for State land acquisition under Program
 17 Open Space.

18 SECTION ~~6~~ ~~7~~ 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any
 19 other provision of law, on or before June 30, 2026, the Governor may transfer to the
 20 Maryland Health Benefit Exchange (D78Y01) \$250,000 from the Child Care Capital
 21 Support Revolving Loan Fund established under § 9.5-113.1 of the Education Article to
 22 conduct an outreach campaign to help child care workers enroll in health insurance and
 23 conduct a survey of the landscape and availability of health insurance among child care
 24 providers.

25 SECTION ~~6~~ ~~7~~ ~~8~~ 11. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any
 26 other provision of law, on or before June 30, 2026, the Governor may transfer to the General
 27 Fund the following:

28 (1) \$259,000,000 from the Renewable Portfolio Standard/ACP Account of
 29 the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund established under § 9-20B-05 of the
 30 State Government Article;

31 (2) ~~\$187,609,007~~ \$119,151,120 from the Fiscal Responsibility Fund
 32 established under § 7-330 of the State Finance and Procurement Article;

33 (3) \$33,000,000 from the Administration Account of the Maryland
 34 Strategic Energy Investment Fund established under § 9-20B-05;

1 (4) \$10,000,000 from the ~~Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program~~
 2 ~~Fund for Nurses and Nursing Support Staff established under § 24-1902 of the Health~~
 3 ~~General Article Nurse Support Program Assistance Fund established under § 11-405 of the~~
 4 Education Article; and

5 (5) \$2,000,000 from the Performance Incentive Grant Fund established
 6 under § 9-3209 of the State Government Article;

7 (6) \$2,000,000 from the Maryland Police Training and Standards
 8 Commission Fund established under § 3-206.1 of the Public Safety Article; and

9 (7) ~~\$1,000,000~~ \$3,500,000 from the Non-Depository Special Fund
 10 established under § 2-120 of the Financial Institutions Article; and

11 (8) \$1,500,000 from the Banking Institution and Credit Union Regulation
 12 Fund established under § 2-118 of the Financial Institutions Article.

13 SECTION ~~7, 8, 9, 12.~~ AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any
 14 other provision of law, on or before June 30, 2026, the Governor may transfer to the General
 15 Fund ~~\$1,038,910~~ \$1,243,484 from the Dedicated Purpose Account established under §
 16 7-310 of the State Finance and Procurement Article for the following purposes:

17 (1) \$355,760 for domestic violence centers;

18 (2) \$201,292 for assisted living centers;

19 (3) \$152,732 for the State Police Gun Center;

20 (4) \$101,537 for police departments to coordinate task forces that cross
 21 jurisdictional boundaries;

22 (5) \$100,001 for the Center for Neuroscience of Social Justice;

23 (6) \$75,988 for violence prevention and interruption organizations; ~~and~~

24 (7) \$51,600 for the Greater Baltimore Regional Integrated Crisis System;

25 (8) \$197,530 to rebuild State government and modernize human resources
 26 practices; and

27 (9) \$7,044 for food banks.

28 SECTION ~~9, 10, 13.~~ AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any
 29 other provision of law, on or before June 30, 2026, the Governor may transfer to the General
 30 Fund \$380,000,000 from the Local Income Tax Reserve Account established under § 2-606
 31 of the Tax – General Article.

1 ~~SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other~~
 2 ~~provision of law, on or before June 30, 2027, the Governor may transfer to the General Fund~~
 3 ~~\$6,700,000 from the Maternal and Child Health Population Health Improvement Fund~~
 4 ~~established under § 19-210 of the Health General Article.~~

5 SECTION ~~9, 10, 11, 14.~~ AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding
 6 any other provision of law, on or before June 30, 2027, the Governor may transfer to the
 7 General Fund the following, with the funds for related projects to be replaced with General
 8 Obligation Bonds:

9 (1) \$70,000,000 from the Bay Restoration Fund established under §
 10 9-1605.2 of the Environment Article; and

11 (2) ~~\$13,068,000~~ \$7,011,156 from the Waterway Improvement Fund
 12 established under § 8-707 of the Natural Resources Article; and

13 ~~(3) \$188,844 from the Program Open Space Local Funds that reverted to~~
 14 ~~and are held in a special account by the Department of Natural Resources under §~~
 15 ~~5-905(b)(7) of the Natural Resources Article.~~

16 SECTION ~~10, 11, 12, 15.~~ AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the fiscal year
 17 2026 General Fund appropriation of \$3,000,000 for Facility Operations Administration and
 18 Support (V00E01.02) within the Department of Juvenile Services restricted for the purpose
 19 of reopening the Alfred D. Noyes Children's Center as an adolescent drug treatment center
 20 may be instead used to provide drug treatment services at other child-serving facilities and
 21 to reopen the Alfred D. Noyes Children's Center as a facility for children.

22 ~~SECTION 11. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other~~
 23 ~~provision of law, no amounts may be expended in fiscal year 2027 to pay increases over the~~
 24 ~~rates in effect on January 21, 2026, for providers of nonpublic placements under § 8-406 of~~
 25 ~~the Education Article.~~

26 SECTION ~~12, 13, 16.~~ AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any
 27 other provision of law, no amounts may be expended in fiscal year 2027 to pay increases
 28 over the rates in effect on January 21, 2026, for providers with rates set by the Interagency
 29 Rates Committee under § 8-417 of the Education Article.

30 SECTION ~~13, 14, 17.~~ AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any
 31 other provision of law, the Interagency Commission on School Construction may reallocate
 32 federal funding awarded from fiscal years 2022 and 2023 for heating, ventilation, and
 33 air-conditioning upgrades for public school buildings to ensure compliance with the
 34 provisions of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

35 SECTION 18. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other
 36 provision of law, the Comptroller shall set the annual interest rate for a digital advertising
 37 gross revenues tax refund that is the result of a final decision of the highest court of the State
 38 or the United States to which an appeal is taken which finds that the tax imposed under §

1 7.5–102 of the Tax – General Article is unconstitutional at a percentage, rounded to the
2 nearest whole number, that is the percentage that equals the average prime rate of interest
3 quoted by commercial banks to large businesses during the 12 months immediately
4 preceding the month in which the final decision is rendered, based on a determination by
5 the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Bank.

6 SECTION 19. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

7 (a) The Comptroller, in consultation with stakeholders, shall study the impact of
8 the change in the calculation of Maryland income tax for pass-through entities electing to
9 be taxed at the entity level as a result of alterations to § 10–102.1 of the Tax – General Article,
10 as enacted by Section 5 of Chapter 604 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2025 and
11 Sections 4 and 5 of this Act, and alterations to the federal cap on itemized deductions as
12 enacted by Public Law 119–21.

13 (b) On or before December 1 each year, the Comptroller shall submit a report on
14 its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1257 of
15 the State Government Article, including:

16 (1) the operational impact of the changes described under subsection (a) of
17 this section on the Office of the Comptroller;

18 (2) an assessment of the potential changes to S corporation elections at the
19 federal level; and

20 (3) an analysis of alternative tax calculation options for pass-through
21 entities for each reporting period.

22 SECTION 20. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

23 (a) The Department of Budget and Management may process a budget amendment
24 to appropriate funds from the Population Health Improvement Fund, established under §
25 13–5602 of the Health – General Article, to the Medical Care Programs Administration
26 within the Maryland Department of Health if the Health Services Cost Review Commission
27 increases hospital rates to provide financial assistance to Medicare Advantage Plans in
28 calendar year 2026.

29 (b) The Health Services Cost Review Commission shall examine:

30 (1) whether financial assistance to Medicare Advantage Plans is required
31 to maintain the viability of the plans in calendar year 2026; and

32 (2) whether hospital rates should be adjusted to provide financial assistance
33 of up to \$140,000,000.

34 SECTION 21. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other
35 provision of law, the Developmental Disabilities Administration may use the fiscal year 2027

1 appropriation for consulting, financial management services, and data analytics, including
2 artificial intelligence, through:

3 (1) an expedited procurement as defined in § 13-108(d) of the State Finance
4 and Procurement Article; or

5 (2) an interagency agreement as determined to be appropriate in
6 consultation with the Department of Budget and Management.

7 SECTION ~~14, 15, 22~~. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 3 of this Act
8 shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2025.

9 SECTION 23. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 4 of this Act shall be
10 applicable to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2026.

11 SECTION ~~15, 16, 24~~. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 2 and 3 of
12 this Act shall take effect July 1, 2026. Section 19 of this Act shall remain effective for a
13 period of 3 years and 7 months and, at the end of December 31, 2029, Section 19 of this Act,
14 with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no
15 further force and effect.

16 SECTION ~~16, 17, 25~~. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section ~~4~~ 5 of this
17 Act shall take effect July 1, ~~2027~~ 2028, the effective date of Chapter 638 of the Acts of the
18 General Assembly of 2025, as amended by Section 5 of this Act. If the effective date of
19 Chapter 638 is further amended, Section ~~4~~ 5 of this Act shall take effect on the taking effect
20 of Chapter 638.

21 SECTION ~~18, 26~~. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section ~~5~~ 6 of this Act
22 shall take effect July 1, 2027.

23 SECTION ~~16, 17, 19, 27~~. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as
24 provided in ~~Section 15~~ Sections ~~15 and 16~~ 16, 17, and 18 ~~24, 25, and 26~~ of this Act, this Act
25 shall take effect June 1, 2026.