Decision Document

Senate Budget and Taxation – Full Committee 2023 Session

A15O00 Payments to Civil Divisions of the State

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Concur with Governor's allowance.			Concur.	Adopt.	

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1.	Concur with the budget as approved by the Legislative Policy Committee.			Concur.	Adopt.	

D38I01 State Board of Elections

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- 1. Quarterly Reports on Major Information Technology Development Projects (MITDP): The committees remain interested in monitoring the progress on the State Board of Elections' (SBE) MITDPs. The committees request that SBE submit quarterly reports on all MITDP activities and expenditures, separately for each of the three projects. Each report should include for each project the following:
 - a description of activities undertaken in the quarter, complete with dates identifying whether project milestones were achieved or if delays were experienced, and an assessment of the resulting effect any delays experienced in the quarter have on the project's overall timeline;
 - actual project spending in each month of the quarter; and
 - an assessment of future risks to the project's timeline and how SBE plans to mitigate those risks.

Information Request	Author	Due Date
Quarterly report on all MITDPs	SBE	July 15, 2023 October 15, 2023 January 15, 2024 April 15, 2024

2. Scope and Schedule for Major Information Technology Development Projects (MITDP): The committees are concerned that no information has been provided for two significant new MITDPs beginning in fiscal 2024. The committees request that the State Board of Elections (SBE) submit a report on the Voting System Solution and Campaign Reporting Information System MITDPs, include information on the scope, timelines, and need for the projects.

Concur.

Concur.

Modify, see below.

Adopt.

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Adopt.

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Report on Voting System SBE July 15, 2023 Solution and Campaign Reporting Information System MITDPs

FIRST HOUSE MODIFICATION

Scope and Schedule for Major Information Technology Development Projects (MITDP): The committees are concerned that no information has been provided for two significant new MITDPs beginning in fiscal 2024. The committees request that the State Board of Elections (SBE) submit a report on the Voting System Solution and Campaign Reporting Information System MITDPs, including information on the scope, timelines, and need for the projects. The report should include whether SBE is considering ranked-choice voting capabilities for the new voting system solution.

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Report on Voting System Solution and Campaign Reporting Information System MITDPs	SBE	July 15, 2023

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1.	Adopt the following narrative:				Concur.	Adopt.	
	Submission of Select Budget Deta Budget and Management (DBM) program for Comptroller Objects 08 an electronic format subject to th Services.	submit complete fiscal 20 and 12 by the third Wedner	25 subobjectsday of Janua	t detail by ary 2024 in			
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	Comptroller objects 08 and 12 budget detail	DBM	Third Wedi January 202	•			
2.	Amend the following section:				Disagree.	Adopt.	
	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURT provisions of these appropriation authorized:						
	various departmen	y portion of the funds her nts, boards, commissions, nthly, quarterly or seasonal p	officers, so	chools and			

The Secretary shall, before the beginning of the fiscal year, file with the Comptroller of the Treasury—a schedule of allotments, if any a list limited to the appropriations restricted in this Act to be placed in contingency reserve. The Comptroller shall not authorize any expenditure or obligation in excess of the allotment made and any expenditure so made shall be illegal.

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expense and may place any funds appropriated but not allotted in contingency reserve available for subsequent allotment. Upon the Secretary's own initiative or upon the request of the head of any State agency, the Secretary may authorize a change in the amount of funds

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- (b) To allot all or any portion of funds coming into the hands of any department, board, commission, officer, school and institution of the State, from sources not estimated or calculated upon in the budget.
- To fix the number and classes of positions, including temporary and (c) (b) permanent positions, or person years of authorized employment for each agency, unit, or program thereof, not inconsistent with the Public General Laws in regard to classification of positions. The Secretary shall make such determinations before the beginning of the fiscal year and shall base them on the positions or person years of employment authorized in the budget as amended by approved budgetary position actions. No payment for salaries or wages nor any request for or certification of personnel shall be made except in accordance with the Secretary's determinations. At any time during the fiscal year the Secretary may amend the number and classes of positions or person years of employment previously fixed by the Secretary; the Secretary may delegate all or part of this authority. The governing boards of public institutions of higher education shall have the authority to transfer positions between programs and campuses under each institutional board's jurisdiction without the approval of the Secretary, as provided in Section 15-105 of the Education Article.
- (d) (c) To prescribe procedures and forms for carrying out the above provisions.

Explanation: This language limits the amount of appropriations that can be placed into contingency reserve to only those items restricted by the Maryland General Assembly.

3. Amend the following section:

SECTION 17. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That funds appropriated to the various State agency programs and subprograms in Comptroller Objects 0152 (Health Insurance), 0154 (Retirees Health Insurance Premiums), 0175 (Workers' Compensation), 0217 (Health Insurance), 0305 (DBM Paid Telecommunications), 0839

Disagree. Adopt.

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Adopt.

(HR Shared Services), 0874 (Office of Attorney General Administrative Fee), 0876 (DoIT IT Services Allocation), 0894 (State Personnel System Allocation), 0897 (Enterprise Budget System Allocation), and 1303 (rent paid to DGS) are to be utilized for their intended purposes only. The expenditure or transfer of these funds for other purposes requires the prior approval of the Secretary of Budget and Management. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Budget and Management may transfer amounts appropriated in Comptroller Objects 0152, 0154, 0217, 0305, and 0876 between State departments and agencies by approved budget amendment in fiscal 2023 and fiscal 2024. All funds budgeted in or transferred to Comptroller Objects 0152 and 0154 and any funds restricted in this budget for use in the employee and retiree health insurance program that are unspent shall be credited to the fund as established in accordance with Section 2-516 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.

Further provided that each agency that receives funding in this budget in any of the restricted Comptroller Objects listed within this section shall establish within the State's accounting system a structure of accounts to separately identify for each restricted Comptroller Object, by fund source, the legislative appropriation, monthly transactions, and final expenditures. It is the intent of the General Assembly that an accounting detail be established so that the Office of Legislative Audits may review the disposition of funds appropriated for each restricted Comptroller Object as part of each closeout audit to ensure that funds are used only for the purposes for which they are restricted and that unspent funds are reverted or canceled.

Explanation: This language pertaining to restricted objects of expenditures is amended to disallow transfers to other purposes and makes it possible for the Office of Legislative Audits to track the disposition of funds in restricted statewide subobjects.

4. Add the following section: Concur.

Section 23 Executive Long-term Forecast

SECTION 23. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Governor's budget books shall include a forecast of the impact of the executive budget proposal on the long-term fiscal condition of the General Fund, the Transportation Trust Fund, the Blueprint for

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Maryland's Future Fund, and higher education Current Unrestricted Fund accounts. This forecast shall estimate aggregate revenues, expenditures, and fund balances in each account for the fiscal year last completed, the current year, the budget year, and 4 years thereafter. Expenditures shall be reported at such agency, program or unit levels, or categories as may be determined appropriate after consultation with the Department of Legislative Services. A statement of major assumptions underlying the forecast shall also be provided, including but not limited to general salary increases, inflation, and growth of caseloads in significant program areas.

Explanation: This annual language provides for the delivery of the executive's General Fund, transportation, Blueprint for Maryland's Future Fund, and higher education forecasts and defines the conditions under which they are to be provided.

Information Request	Author	Due Date
Executive forecasts	Department of Budget and Management	the Governor's Fiscal 2025 Budget
		Books

5. Add the following section:

Concur.

Adopt.

Section 24 Across-the-board Reductions and Higher Education

SECTION 24. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That all across-the-board reductions applied to the Executive Branch, unless otherwise stated, shall apply to current unrestricted and general funds in the University System of Maryland, St. Mary's College of Maryland, Morgan State University, and Baltimore City Community College.

Explanation: This section explicitly applies reductions intended for the full Executive Branch to the University System of Maryland, St. Mary's College of Maryland, Morgan State University, and Baltimore City Community College unless their exclusion is specifically stated.

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6. Add the following section:

Section 25 Reporting Federal Funds

SECTION 25. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Governor's budget books shall include a summary statement of federal revenues by major federal program sources supporting the federal appropriations made therein along with the major assumptions underpinning the federal fund estimates. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) shall exercise due diligence in reporting this data and ensure that they are updated as appropriate to reflect ongoing congressional action on the federal budget. In addition, DBM shall provide to the Department of Legislative Services (DLS) data for the actual, current, and budget years listing the components of each federal fund appropriation by Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number or equivalent detail for programs not in the catalog. Data shall be provided in an electronic format subject to the concurrence of DLS.

Explanation: This annual language provides for consistent reporting of federal monies received by the State.

Information Request	Author	Due Date
Reporting components of each federal fund appropriation	DBM	With submission of the Governor's Fiscal 2025 Budget Books

7. Add the following section: Concur. Adopt.

Section 26 Federal Fund Spending

SECTION 26. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That in the expenditure of federal funds appropriated in this budget or subsequent to the enactment of this budget by the budget amendment process:

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- (1) State agencies shall administer these federal funds in a manner that recognizes that federal funds are taxpayer dollars that require prudent fiscal management, careful application to the purposes for which they are directed, and strict attention to budgetary and accounting procedures established for the administration of all public funds.
- (2) For fiscal 2024, except with respect to capital appropriations, to the extent consistent with federal requirements:
 - (a) when expenditures or encumbrances may be charged to either State or federal fund sources, federal funds shall be charged before State funds are charged except that this policy does not apply to the Department of Human Services with respect to federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families funds to be carried forward into future years;
 - when additional federal funds are sought or otherwise become available in the course of the fiscal year, agencies shall consider, in consultation with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), whether opportunities exist to use these federal revenues to support existing operations rather than to expand programs or establish new ones; and
 - (c) DBM shall take appropriate actions to effectively establish the provisions of this section as policies of the State with respect to the administration of federal funds by executive agencies.

Explanation: This annual language defines the policies under which federal funds shall be used in the State budget.

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8. Add the following section:

Concur. Adopt.

Section 27 Reporting on Budget Data and Organizational Charts

SECTION 27. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that all State departments, agencies, bureaus, commissions, boards, and other organizational units included in the State budget, including the Judiciary, shall prepare and submit items for the fiscal 2025 budget detailed by Comptroller subobject classification in accordance with instructions promulgated by the Comptroller of Maryland. The presentation of budget data in the Governor's budget books shall include object, fund, and personnel data in the manner provided for in fiscal 2024 except as indicated elsewhere in this Act; however, this may not preclude the placement of additional information into the budget books. For actual fiscal 2023 spending, the fiscal 2024 working appropriation, and the fiscal 2025 allowance, the budget detail shall be available from the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) automated data system at the subobject level by subobject codes and classifications for all agencies. To the extent possible, except for public higher education institutions, subobject expenditures shall be designated by fund for actual fiscal 2023 spending, the fiscal 2024 working appropriation, and the fiscal 2025 allowance. The agencies shall exercise due diligence in reporting this data and ensuring correspondence between reported position and expenditure data for the actual, current, and budget fiscal years. This data shall be made available on request and in a format subject to the concurrence of the Department of Legislative Services (DLS). Further, the expenditure of appropriations shall be reported and accounted for by the subobject classification in accordance with the instructions promulgated by the Comptroller of Maryland.

Further provided that due diligence shall be taken to accurately report full-time equivalent (FTE) counts of contractual FTEs in the budget books. For the purpose of this count, contractual FTEs are defined as those individuals having an employee-employer relationship with the State. This count shall include those individuals in higher education institutions who meet this definition but are paid with additional assistance funds.

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Further provided that DBM shall provide to DLS with the allowance for each department, unit, agency, office, and institution, a one-page organizational chart in Microsoft Word or Adobe PDF format that depicts the allocation of personnel across operational and administrative activities of the entity.

Further provided that for each across-the-board reduction to appropriations or positions in the fiscal 2025 Budget Bill affecting fiscal 2024 or 2025, DBM shall allocate the reduction for each agency in a level of detail not less than the three-digit R*Stars financial agency code and by each fund type.

Further provided that DBM shall provide to DLS special and federal fund accounting detail for the fiscal year last completed, current year, and budget year for each fund. The account detail, to be submitted with the allowance, should at a minimum provide revenue and expenditure detail, along with starting and ending balances.

Further provided that DBM shall provide to DLS by September 1, 2023, a list of subprograms used by each department, unit, agency, office, and institution, along with a brief description of the subprograms' purpose and responsibilities.

Explanation: This annual language provides for consistent reporting of fiscal 2023, 2024, and 2025 budget data and provides for the submission of department, unit, agency, office, and institutions' organizational charts to DLS with the allowance. It also requires DBM to allocate across-the-board reductions to positions or funding to ensure transparency in budget allocations.

Information Request	Author	Due Date
Agency organizational charts and special and federal fund accounting detail	DBM	With submission of the Governor's Fiscal 2025 Budget Books
List of subprograms	DBM	September 1, 2023

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Section 28 Interagency Agreements

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SECTION 28. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before August 1, 2023, each State agency and each public institution of higher education shall report to the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) any agreements in place for any part of fiscal 2023 between State agencies and any public institution of higher education involving potential expenditures in excess of \$100,000 over the term of the agreement. Further provided that DBM shall provide direction and guidance to all State agencies and public institutions of higher education as to the procedures and specific elements of data to be reported with respect to these interagency agreements, to include at a minimum:

- (1) a common code for each interagency agreement that specifically identifies each agreement and the fiscal year in which the agreement began;
- (2) the starting date for each agreement;
- (3) the ending date for each agreement;
- (4) <u>a total potential expenditure, or not-to-exceed dollar amount, for the services to be rendered over the term of the agreement by any public institution of higher education to any State agency;</u>
- (5) a description of the nature of the goods and services to be provided;
- (6) the total number of personnel, both full- and part-time, associated with the agreement;
- (7) contact information for the agency and the public institution of higher education for the person(s) having direct oversight or knowledge of the agreement;

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- (8) total indirect cost recovery or facilities and administrative (F&A) expenditures authorized for the agreement;
- (9) the indirect cost recovery or F&A rate for the agreement and brief description of how the rate was determined;
- (10) actual expenditures for the most recently closed fiscal year;
- (11) actual base expenditures that the indirect cost recovery or F&A rate may be applied against during the most recently closed fiscal year;
- (12) <u>actual expenditures for indirect cost recovery or F&A for the most recently</u> closed fiscal year; and
- (13) total authorized expenditures for any subaward(s) or subcontract(s) being used as part of the agreement and a brief description of the type of award or contract.

Further provided that DBM shall submit a consolidated report to the budget committees and the Department of Legislative Services by December 1, 2023, that contains information on all agreements between State agencies and any public institution of higher education involving potential expenditures in excess of \$100,000 that were in effect at any time during fiscal 2023.

<u>Further provided that no new higher education interagency agreement with State agencies with a projected value in excess of \$500,000 may be entered into during fiscal 2024 without prior approval of the Secretary of Budget and Management.</u>

Explanation: This annual language requires DBM to report on all interagency agreements between State agencies and public institutions of higher education having a total potential expenditure over the term of the agreement in excess of \$100,000. This applies only to agreements for the purchase of goods and/or services and does not apply to grants or space agreements. Further, it requires that no new higher education interagency agreement with State agencies with a projected value in excess of \$500,000

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be entered into during fiscal 2024 without prior approval of the Secretary of Budget and Management.

Information RequestAuthorDue DateConsolidated report on
interagency agreementsDBMDecember 1, 2023

10. Add the following section: Concur.

Section 29 Budget Amendments

SECTION 29. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That any budget amendment to increase the total amount of special, federal, or higher education (current restricted and current unrestricted) fund appropriations, or to make reimbursable fund transfers from the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services or the Maryland Department of Emergency Management made in Section 1 of this Act shall be subject to the following restrictions:

- (1) This section may not apply to budget amendments for the sole purpose of:
 - (a) appropriating funds available as a result of the award of federal disaster assistance; and
 - (b) transferring funds from the State Reserve Fund Economic Development Opportunities Account for projects approved by the Legislative Policy Committee (LPC).
- Budget amendments increasing total appropriations in any fund account by \$100,000 or more may not be approved by the Governor until:
 - (a) that amendment has been submitted to the Department of Legislative Services (DLS); and

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<u>(b)</u>	the budget committees or LPC has considered the 45 days have elapsed from the date of submission of Each amendment submitted to DLS shall include a amount, sources of funds and purposes of the an summary of the impact on regular position or con equivalent payroll requirements.	the amend statement endment,	dment. of the and a				
docun	s permitted by the budget bill or the accompanientation or by any other authorizing legislation, and no sions of Section 3-216 of the Transportation Article, a budget:	withstandi	ing the				
<u>(a)</u>	restore funds for items or purposes specifically General Assembly;	denied b	by the				
<u>(b)</u>	fund a capital project not authorized by the Goprovided, however, that subject to provisions of the Article, projects of the Maryland Department of (MDOT) shall be restricted as provided in Section 1	Transpor	rtation rtation				
<u>(c)</u>	increase the scope of a capital project by an amount 7 the approved estimate or 5.0% or more over the net state approved project until the amendment has been stand the budget committees have considered and off the Governor, or 45 days have elapsed from the date the amendment. This provision does not apply to ME	quare footand to the submitted to the submits of submiss	tage of DLS, nent to				
<u>(d)</u>	provide for the additional appropriation of special, education funds of more than \$100,000 for the reconstition or positions.						
	dget may not be amended to increase a federal fund 000 or more unless documentation evidencing the inc	~ ~ ~					

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provided with the amendment and fund availability is certified by the Secretary of Budget and Management.

- No expenditure or contractual obligation of funds authorized by a proposed budget amendment may be made prior to approval of that amendment by the Governor.
- Motwithstanding the provisions of this section, any federal, special, or higher education fund appropriation may be increased by budget amendment upon a declaration by the Board of Public Works that the amendment is essential to maintaining public safety, health, or welfare, including protecting the environment or the economic welfare of the State.
- (7) Budget amendments for new major information technology projects, as defined by Sections 3A-301 and 3A-302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, must include an Information Technology Project Request, as defined in Section 3A-308 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.
- (8) Further provided that the fiscal 2024 appropriation detail as shown in the Governor's budget books submitted to the General Assembly in January 2024 and the supporting electronic detail may not include appropriations for budget amendments that have not been signed by the Governor, exclusive of the MDOT pay-as-you-go capital program.
- (9) Further provided that it is the policy of the State to recognize and appropriate additional special, higher education, and federal revenues in the budget bill as approved by the General Assembly. Further provided that for the fiscal 2024 allowance, the Department of Budget and Management shall continue policies and procedures to minimize reliance on budget amendments for appropriations that could be included in a deficiency appropriation.

Explanation: This annual language defines the process under which budget amendments may be used.

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11. Add the following section:

Section 30 Maintenance of Accounting Systems

SECTION 30. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

- The Secretary of Health shall maintain the accounting systems necessary to determine the extent to which funds appropriated for fiscal 2023 in program M00Q01.03 Medical Care Provider Reimbursements and M00Q01.10 Medicaid Behavioral Health Provider Reimbursements have been disbursed for services provided in that fiscal year and shall prepare and submit the monthly reports by fund type required under this section for that program.
- (2) The State Superintendent of Schools shall maintain the accounting systems necessary to determine the extent to which funds appropriated for fiscal 2023 to program R00A02.07 Students With Disabilities for nonpublic placements have been disbursed for services provided in that fiscal year and to prepare monthly reports as required under this section for that program.
- The Secretary of Human Services shall maintain the accounting systems necessary to determine the extent to which funds appropriated for fiscal 2023 in program N00G00.01 Foster Care Maintenance Payments have been disbursed for services provided in that fiscal year, including detail by placement type for the average monthly caseload, average monthly cost per case, and the total expended for each foster care program, and to prepare the monthly reports required under this section for that program.
- For the programs specified, reports must indicate by fund type total appropriations for fiscal 2023 and total disbursements for services provided during that fiscal year up through the last day of the second month preceding the date on which the report is to be submitted and a comparison to data applicable to those periods in the preceding fiscal year.

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- (5) Reports shall be submitted to the budget committees, the Department of Legislative Services, the Department of Budget and Management, and the Comptroller beginning August 15, 2023, and submitted on a monthly basis thereafter.
- (6) It is the intent of the General Assembly that general funds appropriated for fiscal 2023 to the programs specified that have not been disbursed within a reasonable period, not to exceed 12 months from the end of the fiscal year, shall revert.

Explanation: This annual language requires the maintenance of accounting systems for certain programs, states the intent of the General Assembly that general funds not disbursed be reverted, and requires reporting of disbursements by the Maryland Department of Health (MDH), the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), and the Department of Human Services (DHS).

Information Request	Author	Due Date
Report on appropriations and	MDH	August 15, 2023, and
disbursements in M00Q01.03,	MSDE	monthly thereafter
M00Q01.10, R00A02.07, and	DHS	
N00G00.01		

12. Add the following section:

Concur. Adopt.

Section 31 Competitive Grant Applications

SECTION 31. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and the Inflation Reduction Act each make billions of dollars of federal grant funds available to states and other entities on a competitive basis, it is the intent of the General Assembly that State agencies aggressively pursue funding opportunities that align with the goals of the State. The General Assembly notes that many of the grant opportunities require the commitment of State matching funds and asks that agencies notify the budget committees at least 10 days prior to submitting the

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application if the receipt of the grant will require the allocation of additional State resources to the agency in fiscal 2024 or future years. The submission should include a brief description of the opportunity, the amount of federal funds the State is seeking, and the required State match.

<u>Further provided that on a quarterly basis beginning July 1, 2023, the committees request a report from the Department of Budget and Management summarizing all of the competitive grants the State has applied for, the status of the application, and any state match that is required by the grant.</u>

Explanation: The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and the Inflation Reduction Act each make billions of dollars of federal grant funds available to states and other entities on a competitive basis. There is limited legislative oversight on these funding opportunities and the impact they may have on future commitment of State resources. This language establishes a process for legislative review and tracking of competitive grant opportunities prior to the commitment of State funds.

Information Request	Author	Due Date
Notice of competitive grant application requiring State match	DBM All State agencies	10 days prior to submission of grant application
Competitive grant application summary reports	DBM	July 1, 2023 October 1, 2023 January 1, 2024 April 1, 2024

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1.	Adopt the following narrative:			Concur.	Adopt.	
	Health Insurance Account Closeout Report: The comme fiscal 2023 closeout of the Employee and Retiree Health In shall include (1) closing fiscal 2023 fund balance; (2) actuate the fiscal year broken out by medical payments for active effor non-Medicare-eligible retirees, medical payments for prescription drug payments for active employees, presonn-Medicare-eligible retirees, and prescription drug payretirees; (3) State employee and retiree contributions, broknon-Medicare-eligible retirees, and Medicare-eligible retrebates, recoveries, and other costs, broken out into rebate associated with active employees, non-Medicare-eligible retrees; (5) any closeout transactions processed after the fishincurred but not received costs.	nsurance Account. ual provider paym employees, medica or Medicare-eligib scription drug pay yments for Medica ken out by active etirees; (4) an acc es, recoveries, and etirees, and Medica	This report tents due in all payments ble retirees, yments for are-eligible employees, counting of other costs are-eligible			
	Information Request Author	Due Date				
	Report on fiscal 2023 closeout data for the Employee and Retiree Health Insurance Account Department of Budget Management	t and October 1, 2	2023			
2.	Adopt the following narrative:			Concur.	Adopt.	
	Quarterly Medical, Dental, and Prescription Plan Performance of the State and Equarterly reports on plan performance of the State's prescriptions.	cal and prescription Management (DB scription, medical,	n costs. The BM) submit and dental			
	 Medical and dental reports should provide utilizat 	tion and cost data	broken out			

by plans as well as actives, non-Medicare-eligible retirees, and

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Medicare-eligible retirees. The reports should include utilization per 1,000 plan participants, unit cost and per member costs for hospital inpatient services, hospital outpatient services, professional inpatient services, professional outpatient services, and ancillary services provided by the State's health plans.

• Prescription reports should provide information on the highest cost prescription drugs by category of treatment; the prescription drugs accounting for the largest increases in drug spending; the top 25 most costly individual prescription drugs in generic, brand, biologics, and specialty drug categories; recent drug patent expirations; and upcoming new drug patent approvals. Additionally, the reports should include data on the cost drivers and drug trends by actives, non-Medicare retirees, and Medicare retirees.

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Quarterly State medical, dental, and prescription drug plan performance reports	DBM	September 15, 2023 December 15, 2023 March 15, 2024 June 15, 2024

3. Adopt the following narrative: Concur. Adopt.

Progress Report on Reducing the Vacancy Rate: The committees are interested in tracking the administration's progress in reducing the State's vacancy rate by half. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) should provide an update to the committees detailing:

- progress made toward reducing the vacancy rate;
- the status of the planned salary competitiveness survey; and

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Progress in recruitment and retention of State employees	DBM	December 1	1, 2023			
Add the following language:				Concur.	Adopt.	
Provided that the Department of amendment transferring any postadjustment (COLA) prior to January	rtion of the funding to sup					
It is the intent of the General Assessing only to those agencies that have funding to provide the COLA.						
Explanation: Personnel costs at the current vacancy and turnove savings. This language would del the intent of the General Assembly progress in filling vacant position	er rates, which will result in ay the transfer of funds for a bly that funds are only prov	significant p salary increas	ersonnel cost e and express			
Reduce the fiscal 2023 deficient November 2022 4.5% cost-of-Statewide Program because the co	living adjustment in the	-\$ 42,000,000) GF	Concur.	Reject.	
Reduce the deficiency approp Program due to the overestimatic salary action costs.		-\$ 10,692,130) GF	Concur.	Reject.	

		Amount <u>Change</u>	Position <u>Change</u>	Agency Response Hearing Notes	House <u>Decisions</u>	Senate <u>Decisions</u>
7.	Reduce the deficiency appropriation for the 4.5% cost-of-living adjustment that is unneeded due savings in agency budgets from the large number of vacant positions.		GF	Concur.	Adopt.	
8.	Add the following section:			Concur.	Adopt.	
	Section 32 Positions Abolished in the Budget					
	SECTION 32. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That number assigned to a position abolished in this budget material function different from that to which it was assigned when the General Assembly. Incumbents in positions abolished in another position. Explanation: This language prevents employees from a abolished in the budget. It also allows that incumbents continue State employment in another position.	y be reassigned the budget was s shed may con	to a job or submitted to tinue State to positions			
9.	Add the following section:			Concur.	Adopt.	
	Section 33 Injured Workers' Insurance Fund Accordance SECTION 33. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, The Division of the Comptroller of Maryland shall establish a account to debit all State agency funds budgeted under Compensation) and to credit all payments disbursed to the Fund (IWIF) via transmittal. The control account shall also from IWIF and returned to the State and subsequently trans IWIF shall submit monthly reports to the Department concerning the status of the account.	at the General Assubsidiary led subobject 0175 Injured Workers record all funds ferred to the General Assubble to the General	ger control (Workers' 'Insurance withdrawn neral Fund.			

Explanation: This section provides continuation of a system to track workers' compensation payments to IWIF for payments of claims, current expenses, and funded

liability for incurred losses by the State.

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Information RequestAuthorDue DateReport on the status of ledger
control accountIWIFMonthly beginning
July 1, 2023

10. Add the following section: Concur. Adopt.

Section 34 The "Rule of 100"

SECTION 34. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Board of Public Works (BPW), in exercising its authority to create additional positions pursuant to Section 7-236 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, may authorize during the fiscal year no more than 100 positions in excess of the total number of authorized State positions on July 1, 2023, as determined by the Secretary of Budget and Management. Provided, however, that if the imposition of this ceiling causes undue hardship in any department, agency, board, or commission, additional positions may be created for that affected unit to the extent that an equal number of positions authorized by the General Assembly for the fiscal year are abolished in that unit or in other units of State government. It is further provided that the limit of 100 does not apply to any position that may be created in conformance with specific manpower statutes that may be enacted by the State or federal government nor to any positions created to implement block grant actions or to implement a program reflecting fundamental changes in federal/State relationships. Notwithstanding anything contained in this section, BPW may authorize additional positions to meet public emergencies resulting from an act of God and violent acts of man that are necessary to protect the health and safety of the people of Maryland.

BPW may authorize the creation of additional positions within the Executive Branch provided that 1.25 contractual full-time equivalents (FTE) are abolished for each regular position authorized and that there be no increase in agency funds in the current budget and the next two subsequent budgets as the result of this action. It is the intent of the General Assembly that priority is given to converting individuals that have been in contractual FTEs for at least 2 years. Any position created by this method may not be

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counted within the limitation of 100 under this section. The numerical limitation on the creation of positions by BPW established in this section may not apply to positions entirely supported by funds from federal or other non-State sources so long as both the appointing authority for the position and the Secretary of Budget and Management certify for each position created under this exception that:

- (1) <u>funds are available from non-State sources for each position established under this exception; and</u>
- any positions created will be abolished in the event that non-State funds are no longer available. The Secretary of Budget and Management shall certify and report to the General Assembly by June 30, 2024, the status of positions created with non-State funding sources during fiscal 2021 through 2024 under this provision as remaining, authorized, or abolished due to the discontinuation of funds.

Explanation: This annual language, the Rule of 100, limits the number of positions that may be added after the beginning of the fiscal year to 100 and provides exceptions to the limit.

Information Request	Author	Due Date
Certification of the status of positions created with non-State funding sources during fiscal 2021 through 2024	DBM	June 30, 2024

11. Add the following section: Concur. Adopt.

Section 35 Annual Report on Authorized Positions

SECTION 35. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That immediately following the close of fiscal 2023, the Secretary of Budget and Management shall determine the total number of full-time equivalent (FTE) positions that are authorized as of the last day of

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fiscal 2023 and on the first day of fiscal 2024. Authorized positions shall include all positions authorized by the General Assembly in the personnel detail of the budgets for fiscal 2023 and 2024, including nonbudgetary programs, the Maryland Transportation Authority, the University System of Maryland self-supported activities, and the Maryland Correctional Enterprises.

The Department of Budget and Management shall also prepare a report during fiscal 2024 for the budget committees upon creation of regular FTE positions through Board of Public Works action and upon transfer or abolition of positions. This report shall also be provided as an appendix in the Governor's Fiscal 2025 Budget Books. It shall note, at the program level:

- (1) where regular FTE positions have been abolished;
- (2) where regular FTE positions have been created;
- (3) from where and to where regular FTE positions have been transferred; and
- <u>(4)</u> where any other adjustments have been made.

<u>Provision of contractual FTE information in the same fashion as reported in the appendices of the Governor's Fiscal 2024 Budget Books shall also be provided.</u>

Explanation: This annual language provides reporting requirements for regular positions and contractual FTEs.

Information Request	Author	Due Date
Total number of FTEs on June 30 and July 1, 2023	Department of Budget and Management (DBM)	July 14, 2023
Report on the creation, transfer, or abolition of regular positions	DBM	As needed

Amount	Position	Agency Response Hearing Notes	House	Senate
<u>Change</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Decisions</u>	<u>Decisions</u>

Adopt.

Concur.

12. Add the following section:

Section 36 Annual Report on Health Insurance Receipts and Spending

SECTION 36. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary of Budget and Management shall include as an appendix in the Governor's Fiscal 2025 Budget Books an accounting of the fiscal 2023 actual, fiscal 2024 working appropriation, and fiscal 2025 estimated revenues and expenditures associated with the employees' and retirees' health plan. The data in this report should be consistent with the budget data submitted to the Department of Legislative Services. This accounting shall include:

- (1) any health plan receipts received from State agencies, as well as prescription rebates or recoveries, or audit recoveries, and other miscellaneous recoveries;
- any health plan receipts received from employees and retirees, broken out by active employees, non-Medicare-eligible retirees, and Medicare-eligible retirees;
- any premium, capitated, or claims expenditures paid on behalf of State employees and retirees for any health, mental health, dental, or prescription plan, as well as any administrative costs not covered by these plans, with health, mental health, and prescription drug expenditures broken out by medical payments for active employees, non-Medicare-eligible retirees, and Medicare-eligible retirees, and prescription drug expenditures broken out by active employees, non-Medicare-eligible retirees, and Medicare-eligible retirees; and
- (4) any balance remaining and held in reserve for future provider payments.

Explanation: This language provides an accounting of the health plan revenues received and expenditures made on behalf of State employees and retirees. The language proposes that the language in the report be consistent with the budget data submitted with the budget bill.

		Amount <u>Change</u>	Position Change	Agency Response Hearing Notes	House <u>Decisions</u>	Senate <u>Decisions</u>
Information Request	Author	Due Date				
Accounting of the employee and retiree health plan revenues and expenditures	Department of Budget and Management	With submitthe Governor Fiscal 2025 Books	or's			

ADDITIONAL FIRST HOUSE ACTIONS

1. Reduce the fiscal 2024 general fund allowance for -\$ 65,000,000 GF statewide salary increases to reflect excess funding for personnel, excluding Higher Education. The amount of the reduction is the equivalent of increasing the statewide budgeted turnover rate, excluding Higher Education, by 1.5 percentage points.

Adopt.

G20J01State Retirement Agency

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Adopt.

Concur.

G50L00 Maryland Supplemental Retirement Plans

	Amount <u>Change</u>	Position <u>Change</u>	Agency Response Hearing Notes	House <u>Decisions</u>	Senate <u>Decisions</u>
Concur with Governor's allowance.			Concur.	Adopt.	

I00 Department of Service and Civic Innovation

		Amount <u>Change</u>	Position <u>Change</u>	Agency Response Hearing Notes	House <u>Decisions</u>	Senate <u>Decisions</u>
1.	Add the following language to the general fund appropriation provided that \$11,353,000 of this appropriation made for the Service Year Option Program is contingent on enactment of I	purpose of su		Concur.	Adopt.	
	establishes the program. Explanation: This action makes \$11,353,000 in funding for Program contingent on the passage of HB 546 or SB 551.	r the Service Y	Year Option			
2.	Add the following language to the general fund appropriation , provided that \$3,600,000 of this appropriation made for the Service Year Option Program is contingent on enactment of lestablishes the program.	purpose of sup		Concur.	Adopt.	
	Explanation: This action makes \$3,600,000 in funding for Program in fiscal 2023 contingent on the passage of HB 546 of		Year Option			

R00A03 MSDE – Funding for Educational Organizations

Amount	Position		House	Senate
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1. Amend the following language to the special fund appropriation:

- Concur. Adopt.
- (c) administer assessments to all students in accordance with federal and State law; and administer national, norm-referenced standardized assessments chosen from the list of assessments published by the U.S. Department of Education to qualify nonpublic schools for the National Blue Ribbon Schools Program. The nonpublic schools must administer the assessments to all students as follows:
 - (i) English/language arts and mathematics assessments each year for students in grades 3 through 8, and at least once for students in grades 9 through 12; and
 - (ii) a science assessment at least once for students in grades 3 through 5, at least once for students in grades 6 through 9, and at least once for students in grades 10 through 12; and
- (d) comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended, Title 20, Subtitle 6 of the State Government Article, and not discriminate in student admissions, retention, or expulsion or otherwise discriminate against any student on the basis of race, color, national origin, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression. Nothing herein shall require any school or institution to adopt any rule, regulation, or policy that conflicts with its religious or moral teachings. However, all participating schools must agree that they will not discriminate in student admissions, retention, or expulsion or otherwise discriminate against any student based on race, color, national origin, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression. If a nonpublic school does not comply with these requirements, it shall reimburse MSDE all scholarship funds received under the BOOST Program for the 2023-2024 school year and may not charge the student tuition and fees instead. The only other legal remedy for violation of this provision is ineligibility for participating in the BOOST Program.

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- (2) MSDE shall establish procedures for the application and award process for scholarships for students who are eligible for the free or reduced_price lunch program. The procedures shall include consideration for award adjustments if an eligible student becomes ineligible during the course of the school year. In order to be eligible to apply, a student must:
 - (a) have received a BOOST Program scholarship award for the 2022-2023 school year and will be entering any of grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, or 12, or grade 9 if they are a student who attended during the 2022-2023 school year a nonpublic school that serves kindergarten through grade 12; or
 - (b) have a sibling who received a BOOST Program scholarship award for the 2022-2023 school year.
- (3) MSDE shall compile and certify a list of applicants that ranks eligible students by family income expressed as a percent of the most recent federal poverty levels.
- (4) MSDE shall submit the ranked list of applicants to the BOOST Advisory Board.
- (5) There is a BOOST Advisory Board that shall be appointed as follows: 2 members appointed by the Governor, 2 members appointed by the President of the Senate, 2 members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates, and 1 member jointly appointed by the President and the Speaker to serve as the chair. A member of the BOOST Advisory Board may not be an elected official and may not have any financial interest in an eligible nonpublic school.
- (6) The BOOST Advisory Board shall review and certify the ranked list of applicants and shall determine the scholarship award amounts. The BOOST Advisory Board shall take into account the needs of students with disabilities on an Individualized Education Plan or 504 Plan when determining scholarship award amounts.

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- (7) MSDE shall make scholarship awards to eligible students as determined by the BOOST Advisory Board.
- (8) The Unless the student has special needs due to a disability, the amount of a scholarship award may not exceed the lesser of:
 - (a) the statewide average per pupil expenditure by local education agencies, as calculated by MSDE; or
 - (b) the tuition of the nonpublic school.
- (9) In order to meet its BOOST Program reporting requirements to the budget committees, MSDE shall specify a date by which participating nonpublic schools must submit information to MSDE so that it may complete its required report. Any nonpublic schools that do not provide the necessary information by that specified date shall be ineligible to participate in the BOOST Program.
- (10) Students who received a BOOST Program scholarship award in the prior year who still meet eligibility criteria for a scholarship shall receive a scholarship renewal award. For students who are receiving a BOOST Program scholarship for the first time, priority shall be given to students who attended public schools in the prior school year.

Further provided that the BOOST Advisory Board shall make all scholarship awards no later than December 31, 2023, for the 2023-2024 school year to eligible individuals. Any unexpended funds not awarded to students for scholarships shall be encumbered at the end of fiscal 2024 and available for scholarships in the 2024-2025 school year.

Further provided that \$700,000 of this appropriation shall be used only to provide an additional award for each student with special needs that is at least equal in amount to the BOOST Program scholarship award that a student is awarded in accordance with paragraph (6) above.

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	ther provided that MSDE shall submit a report to the uary 15, 2024, that includes the following:	e budget com	nmittees by			
<u>(1)</u>	the number of students receiving BOOST Program s	scholarships;				
<u>(2)</u>	the amount of the BOOST Program scholarships rec	eeived;				
<u>(3)</u>	the number of certified and noncertified teachers in c nonpublic school participating in the BOOST Progra		eas for each			
(4)	the assessments being administered by nonnublic se	hools particin	ecting in the			

- (4) the assessments being administered by nonpublic schools participating in the BOOST Program and the results of these assessments. MSDE shall report the assessment results reported by nonpublic schools to the budget committees in an aggregate manner that does not violate student data privacy;
- in the aggregate, for each BOOST Program scholarship awarded (a) the nonpublic school and grade level attended by the student; (b) the school attended in the 2022-2023 school year by the student; and (c) if the student attended the same nonpublic school in the 2022-2023 school year, whether, what type, and how much nonpublic scholarship aid the student received in the 2022-2023 school year and will receive in the 2023-2024 school year;
- (6) the average household income of students receiving BOOST Program scholarships;
- (7) the racial breakdown of students receiving BOOST Program scholarships;
- (8) the number of students designated as English language learners receiving BOOST Program scholarships;
- (9) the number of special education students receiving BOOST Program scholarships;

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- (10) the county in which students receiving BOOST Program scholarships reside;
- (11) the number of students who were offered BOOST Program scholarships but declined them as well as their reasons for declining the scholarships and the breakdown of students attending public and nonpublic schools for students who declined scholarships;
- the number of students who received BOOST Program scholarships for the 2022-2023 school year who are attending public school for the 2023-2024 school year as well as their reasons for returning to public schools; and
- the number of students who received BOOST Program scholarships for the 2023-2024 school year who withdrew or were expelled from the nonpublic schools they were attending and the reasons for which they withdrew or were expelled; the schools they withdrew or were expelled from; and the length of time students receiving BOOST Program scholarships were enrolled at a nonpublic school before withdrawing or being expelled.

Explanation: This language specifies that schools with BOOST students administer certain national, norm-referenced standardized assessments and sets certain priorities for BOOST scholarships. This language also provides that for the 2023-2024 school year, the BOOST Advisory Board shall make all scholarship awards no later than December 31, 2023, and any unexpended funds not awarded to students shall be encumbered for scholarships in the next year. This language also requires MSDE to report by January 15, 2024, on the distribution of the BOOST scholarships; information on the students receiving BOOST scholarships; teacher certifications for nonpublic schools participating in the BOOST Program; and assessments being administered in nonpublic schools participating in the BOOST Program, including student performance. The language also requires that MSDE report on students who choose to decline scholarships or attend public schools after participating in the BOOST Program in the past, along with their reasons for doing so, and information on students receiving scholarships for the 2023-2024 school year who withdrew or were expelled from the nonpublic schools that they were attending. Finally, the language requires that the BOOST Advisory Board shall take into account the special needs of students with

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disabilities as it is determining scholarship award amounts and that \$700,000 of the BOOST appropriation shall be used to provide higher awards for these students.

Information Request	Author	Due Date
BOOST Program participation	MSDE	January 15, 2024

X00A00 Public Debt

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1. Concur with Governor's allowance. Concur. Adopt.

Y01A State Reserve Fund

Amount

Position

House

Senate

		<u>Change</u>	<u>Change</u>	Agency Response Hearing Notes	<u>Decisions</u>	<u>Decisions</u>
1.	Strike the following language to the general fund appropriation	on:		Concur.	Adopt.	
	provided that \$61,428,921 of this appropriation shall be received enactment of legislation eliminating the required Revenue appropriation for fiscal 2024.		_			
	Further					
	Explanation: This action strikes contingent language that General Assembly has reduced the appropriation directly.	is not needed	because the			
2.	Reduce the appropriation to the Rainy Day Fund. Adequate funding exists to meet Spending Affordability Committee goals without the statutory appropriation in fiscal 2024.		GF	Concur.	Adopt.	
3.	Strike the following language to the general fund appropriation	on:		Concur.	Modify, see below.	
	Legislative Operating					
	Priorities 50,000,000					
	Legislative PAYGO 100,000,000 Local Income Tax Reserve					
	Account Repayment 10,000,000					
	Explanation: This action strikes the line-item appropriation directly reduced and reappropriated by the legislature in					

Reducing the combined \$150 million appropriation for unspecified legislative priorities allows the General Assembly to allocate those funds to specific programs and purposes. The \$10 million appropriation to the Local Income Tax Reserve Account Repayment is not required as the funds to fulfill this obligation were already provided through a

direct revenue distribution.

Y01A State Reserve Fund

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FIRST HOUSE MOD	IFICATION					
Amend the following langu	age to the general fund appropria	tion:			Adopt.	
Retirement Reinvestment						
Contributions	15,000,000					
New Veterans Home	6,326,000					
Cybersecurity	152,000,000					
Legislative Operating						
Priorities	50,000,000					
Legislative PAYGO	100,000,000					
Local Income Tax Reserve						
Account Repayment	10,000,000					
Awards to Erroneously						
Confined Individuals	7,696,732					
Food Banks	10,000,000					
Postretirement Health						
Benefits Trust Fund	25,000,000					
•	strikes the line-item appropriation ite-downs and to directly fund le		•			
action will allow the Gener funding priorities to the	ified legislative priorities. This ral Assembly to assign specific \$50 million in operating and go capital funds set aside by the ve priorities.	-\$ 150,000,000 (GF	Concur.	Adopt.	
repayment. The obligation	al Income Tax Reserve Account for repayment of the liability is a direct revenue distribution and is not needed.	-\$ 10,000,000	GF	Concur.	Reject.	

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Y01A State Reserve Fund

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Position

House

Senate

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ADDITIONAL FIRST HOUSE ACTIONS								
	1. Strike the following language from the general fund appropriate the general fundamental	priation:			Adopt.			
	Further provided that \$500,000,000 of this appropriation Dedicated Purpose Account to support future transportation on the enactment of legislation eliminating the required Reappropriation for fiscal 2024.	n capital priorities	s contingent					
	Explanation: Technical correction to align with legislative	e actions.						
	2. Reduce a portion of the statutorily mandated Rainy Day Fund appropriation in order to redirect funds toward supporting future education and transportation costs, as allocated elsewhere in the budget. The estimated Rainy Day Fund balance at the close of fiscal 2024 equals 10% of general fund revenues without this appropriation.	-\$ 500,000,000	GF		Adopt.			
•	3. Delete funding for retirement reinvestment contributions due to lower than anticipated revenues. Fiscal 2024 pension obligations remain funded above the actuarially required contribution by \$75 million.	-\$ 15,000,000	GF		Adopt.			
	4. Delete funding for postretirement health benefit due to lower than anticipated revenues.	-\$ 25,000,000	GF		Adopt.			

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1. Add the following section: Adopt.

Section 19 Legislative Additions to the Budget

SECTION 19. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That funds are added to the fiscal 2024 appropriation in the following manner:

- (1) \$246,074,000 in general funds is added for the purpose of funding the following capital projects and programs with pay-as-you-go funds in the following budget codes:
 - (a) \$90,000,000 for the Healthy School Facility Fund (R00A07.02) in the Interagency Commission on School Construction for the purpose of providing funds to public primary and secondary schools in the State to improve the health of school facilities. Grants shall be administered in accordance with § 5–322 of the Education Article. Further provided that funds shall be administered by the Interagency Commission on School Construction;
 - (b) \$19,224,000 for the Public School Construction Program (R00A07.02) in the Interagency Commission on School Construction for the purpose of providing funds to construct public school buildings and public school capital improvements, including providing grants to local boards of education for federal E-rate-eligible special construction such as fiber and broadband infrastructure projects for E-rate-eligible applicants in accordance with Title 5, Subtitle 3 of the Education Article;
 - (c) \$25,700,000 for the Baltimore City Convention Center (H00H01.03) in the Department of General Services to design, construct, and capital equip infrastructure improvements to the Baltimore City Convention Center. Further provided that funds shall be administered by the Maryland Stadium Authority;
 - (d) \$2,000,000 for the Institute for Health Computing (H00H01.03) in the Department of General Services to design, construct, renovate, and capital equip

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laboratory and office space for the Institute for Health Computing at the North Bethesda Metro location. Further provided that funds shall be administered by the University of Maryland, Baltimore Campus;

- (e) \$6,000,000 for the Northwest Hospital Center project (H00H01.03) in the Department of General Services to design, construct, and capital equip the Northwest Hospital Center. Further provided that funds shall be administered by the Maryland Hospital Association;
- (f) \$10,000,000 for the University of Maryland Shore Regional Hospital project (H00H01.03) in the Department of General Services to design, construct, and capital equip the University of Maryland Shore Regional Hospital. Further provided that funds shall be administered by the University of Maryland Medical System;
- (g) \$93,150,000 for Miscellaneous Grants Capital (H00H01.03) in the Department of General Services for the purpose of funding the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, site improvement, and capital equipping for the following capital projects:
 - (i) \$18,500,000 for a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Montgomery County for the Montgomery County Bus Rapid Transit project (Montgomery County):
 - (ii) \$3,000,000 for a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Baltimore County for infrastructure improvements to the Randallstown Library (Baltimore County);
 - (iii) \$25,700,000 for a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Prince George's County for infrastructure improvements to the New Carrollton Metro project (Prince George's County);

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(iv) \$4,000,000 for a grant to the County Executive Baltimore County for infrastructure improvemen (Baltimore County):					
(v) \$1,500,000 for a grant to the Board of Directors of Community Sports Association, Inc. for improve and Girls Club Performance Sports Center (Mont	ements to the	Olney Boys			
(vi) \$1,000,000 for a grant to the Montgomery infrastructure improvements to South Valley Par					
(vii) \$500,000 for a grant to the Commissioners o for infrastructure improvements on Market Street					
(viii) \$12,000,000 for a grant to the County Execut Baltimore County for infrastructure improven Library (Baltimore County);					
(ix) \$1,500,000 for a grant to the County Executive an Arundel County for the grain elevator project (Ar					
(x) \$1,150,000 for a grant to the County Executive an Arundel County for the Parole Transportation Cer County):	•				
(xi) \$850,000 for a grant to the MM&P Maritime Ad Education Safety Program for the Maritime Ins Graduate Studies project, including an emergence Arundel County);	stitute of Tech	hnology and			
(xii) \$5,000,000 for a grant to the County Execution Howard County for the Extended North Tunner (XX) 1.50 for the Extended No					

management (Howard County);

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- (xiii) \$1,100,000 for a grant to Frederick County for the Public Safety Communications project, including the placement of a public safety communications shelter (Frederick County);
- (xiv) \$1,000,000 for a grant to Frederick County for the Animal Control Addition project, including expansion of the existing facility (Frederick County);
- (xv) \$3,000,000 for a grant to the Mayor and City Council of the City of Salisbury for infrastructure improvements in the City of Salisbury (Wicomico County);
- (xvi) \$150,000 for a grant to the Mt. Savage Volunteer Fire Company for infrastructure improvements to the Mt. Savage Volunteer Fire Company building (Allegany County);
- (xvii) \$2,000,000 for a grant to the Columbia Center for the Theatrical Arts for infrastructure improvements to the Howard County New Cultural Center (Howard County);
- (xviii) \$3,000,000 for a grant to the Howard County Housing Commission for the Artist Flats project (Howard County);
- (xix) \$5,000,000 for a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for infrastructure improvements to a new library complex (Howard County);
- (xx) \$1,200,000 for a grant to the Deep Creek Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. for infrastructure improvements to the Deep Creek Volunteer Fire Company (Garrett County);
- (xxi) \$500,000 for a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Montgomery County for infrastructure improvements to local public school playgrounds (Montgomery County);

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- (xxii) \$500,000 for a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Montgomery County for the Damascus Library and Senior Center Refurbishment project (Montgomery County); and
- (xxiii) \$1,000,000 for a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Montgomery County for infrastructure improvements to the Wheaton Arts and Cultural Center (Montgomery County).

Funds not expended for these added purposes may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

- (2) \$400,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program Y01A02.01 Dedicated Purpose Account within the State Reserve Fund to be transferred to the Blueprint for Maryland's Future Fund to offset future education costs;
- \$100,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program Y01A02.01 Dedicated Purpose Account within the State Reserve Fund to support the State match for future federal grant awards and to fund future environmental studies for the Red Line and Southern Maryland Rapid Transit projects. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (4) \$40,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program T00F00.04 Office of Business Development within the Department of Commerce for the purpose of the Cannabis Business Assistance Fund. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (5) \$13,000,000 for the implementation of HB 982, contingent on the enactment of HB 982 establishing a Pilot Program for Human Services Careers Scholarship and a Pilot Program for Human Services Careers and requiring a match of certain employee contributions, to be allocated as follows:

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- (a) \$11,950,000 to program F10A02.08 Statewide Expenses within the Department of Budget and Management for the provision of a contribution of up to \$600 to employees participating in the State supplemental retirement plans under certain circumstances;
- (b) \$1,000,000 to program R62I00.36 Workforce Shortage Student Assistance Grants within the Maryland Higher Education Commission for scholarships established under the Pilot Program for Human Services Careers Scholarship; and
- (c) \$50,000 to program N00E01.01 Division of Budget, Finance, and Personnel within the Department of Human Services for stipends established under the Pilot Program for Human Services Careers.

Funds not expended for these added purposes may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

- (6) \$10,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program A15O00.03 Miscellaneous Grants within Payments to Civil Divisions of the State for a grant to Baltimore City. The funds may only be expended to the purpose of increasing the local contribution to Baltimore City Public Schools above the fiscal 2023 contribution. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (7) \$10,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R00A02.13 Innovative Programs within the Aid to Education budget within the Maryland State Department of Education for the purpose of funding the Teacher Development and Retention Fund contingent on the enactment of HB 1219 or SB 893. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

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- (8) \$9,250,000 in special funds is added to the appropriation for program C90G00.01 General Administration and Hearings within the Public Service Commission for the purpose of repairing existing natural gas infrastructure in the Washington Gas service area contingent on the enactment of legislation that authorizes the Maryland Gas Expansion Funds to be used for repair of existing natural gas infrastructure. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall be canceled;
- (9) \$8,450,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for the State Treasurer's Office in the following amounts:
 - (a) \$6,650,000 to program E20B01.01 Treasury Management for the purpose of positions and resources to implement the transition of the Maryland 529 program into the State Treasurer's Office contingent on the enactment of SB 959 or HB 1290 transitioning the administration of the Maryland 529 program into the State Treasurer's Office; and
 - (b) \$1,800,000 to program E20B01.02 Major Information Technology for the purpose of funding a Financial Systems Modernization major Information Technology project.

Funds not expended for these added purposes may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

\$8,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program M00A01.01 Executive Direction within the Office of the Secretary within the Maryland Department of Health for the purpose of supporting infrastructure operations of the Maryland Board of Nursing contingent on the enactment of HB 611 or SB 690 requiring that infrastructure operations are under the Secretary of Health and prohibiting the use of the Board of Nursing Fund for infrastructure operations. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

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- (11) \$6,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program L00A12.20 Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation within the Maryland Department of Agriculture for the purpose of providing additional funding for the Maryland Agricultural and Resource-Based Industry Development Corporation's core loan programs, including the Maryland Resource-Based Industry Financing Fund, given the demand for loans in the high interest rate environment. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- §5,300,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program E00A01.01 Executive Direction within the Comptroller of Maryland for the purposes of ownership, consulting services, buildout, and implementation of a central document management system and the ownership, consulting services, buildout, and implementation of a customer relationship management system. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- \$5,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program D53T00.01 General Administration within the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems for the purpose of providing additional funds to the Maryland Emergency Medical Services Operations Fund. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (14) \$5,000,000 in general funds is added within the Maryland Department of Health to support abortion care and family planning services:
 - (a) \$3,500,000 to the appropriation for program M00Q01.03 Medical Care
 Provider Reimbursements for the purpose of increasing provider
 reimbursement rates for abortion care services; and

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(b) \$1,500,000 to the appropriation for program M00F03.04 Family Health and Chronic Disease Services for the purpose of the Maryland Family Planning and Reproductive Health Program and other grants distributed to providers of family planning services.

Funds not expended for these added purposes may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

- (15) \$5,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program N00I00.05 Maryland Office for Refugees and Asylees within the Department of Human Services to assist with the resettlement in Maryland of immigrants who are relocated to Maryland jurisdictions from other areas. Funds should be expended for housing, food, and other needed assistance. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (16) \$5,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R62I00.26 Janet L. Hoffman Loan Assistance Repayment Program within the Maryland Higher Education Commission for the purpose of the Nancy Grasmick Teacher award that provides student loan repayment assistance to qualifying Maryland teachers contingent on the enactment of HB 1219 or SB 893. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (17) \$3,500,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program C00A00.06 Administrative Office of the Courts within the Judiciary to increase the appropriation for the Maryland Legal Services Corporation for the purpose of providing increased Access to Counsel services. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (18) \$3,500,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program M00F03.04 Family Health and Chronic Disease Services within the Maryland

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Department of Health for the purpose of implementing the 2022 to 2026 Maryland State Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias submitted by the Virginia I. Jones Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Council. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

- (19) \$3,500,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R62I00.52 Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program for Police Officers within the Maryland Higher Education Commission for the purpose of student loan repayment assistance to police officers and probation agents contingent on the enactment of HB 982 increasing required funding for the program and adding eligible recipients. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- \$3,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R00A02.07 Students with Disabilities Nonpublic Placement Program within the Maryland State Department of Education for the purpose of funding the State share of nonpublic school special education teacher salaries contingent on the enactment of HB 448 or SB 311 requiring nonpublic school special education teachers receive a salary that is equivalent to local school system salaries. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- \$2,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program E17A17.01 Administration and Enforcement within the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission for the purpose of the Social Equity Partnership Grant Program contingent on the enactment of HB 556 or SB 516 establishing the Social Equity Partnership Grant Program. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

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(22)	\$2,000,000 in general funds is added to the ap T50T01.15 Maryland Equitech Growth Fund within Development Corporation (TEDCO) for the purpose Growth Fund contingent on the enactment of HB 7 the Equitech Growth Fund in TEDCO. Funds not purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;	the Maryland of the Maryla 81 or SB 699 expended for	Technology and Equitech establishing this added			
(23)	\$1,500,000 in general funds is added to the approximate R75T00.01 Support for State Operated Institutions R30B28 University of Baltimore for the purpose of Donald Schaefer Center for Public Policy. Funds not purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;	of Higher Education of Supporting of expended for	ducation for the William or this added			
(24)	\$1,200,000 in general funds is added to the ap R75T00.01 Support for State Operated Institutions R30B25 University of Maryland Eastern Shore for the required State match for federal grants obtained by the Eastern Shore. Funds not expended for this added transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to ar revert to the General Fund;	of Higher Education of Polymer of Polymer of Polymer of Polymer of Higher than 1997 of the University of Polymer of Polymer of Higher Education of Polymer of Polymer of Higher Education of Polymer of Polymer of Polymer of Higher Education of Polymer of	ducation for providing the of Maryland may not be			
(25)	\$1,000,000 in general funds is added to the ap D21A01.01 Administrative Headquarters within to Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services for the grant to the Maryland Coalition Against Sexual community rape crisis centers. Funds not expended from the transferred by budget amendment or otherwise shall revert to the General Fund;	the Governor' the purpose of Assault for or this added p	s Office of f awarding a support of purpose may			
<u>(26)</u>	\$1,000,000 in general funds is added to the ap D21A01.02 Local Law Enforcement Grants within					

Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services for the purpose of increasing the

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grant for the Maryland Domestic Violence Program to fund domestic violence centers across the State. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

- (27) \$1,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program D77A01.01 Prescription Drug Affordability Board for the purpose of operating expenses within the Prescription Drug Affordability Board. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- \$1,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R00A03.03 Other Institutions within the Funding for Educational Organization budget within the Maryland State Department of Education for the purpose of providing a grant to the Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation to support one-time operating expenses for the STEM initiative, including curriculum development and equipment purchases. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- \$1,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R75T00.01 Support for State Operated Institutions of Higher Education for R30B30 the University of Maryland Global Campus for the purpose of supporting the 3D Scholars scholarship program for Prince George's County public high school students to attend Prince George's Community College and the University of Maryland Global Campus. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (30) \$1,000,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program V00E01.01 Community Operations Administration and Support within the Department of Juvenile Services for the purpose of providing grant funding to Roca, Inc. to expand services around the State. Funds not expended for this

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added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

- (31) \$982,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program D16A06.01 Office of the Secretary of State within the Office of the Secretary of State for the purpose of providing grant funding to Sister States of Maryland, Inc., for the Exploring Cultural Linkages Between Black Marylanders and Civil Rights Movements Abroad project. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (32) \$825,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program L00A12.11

 Maryland Agricultural Fair Board within the Maryland Department of

 Agriculture for the purpose of providing additional funding to promote State
 and county agricultural fairs and exhibits, given the decline in horse racing
 revenues supporting the program. Funds not expended for this added purpose
 may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose
 and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (33) \$750,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R75T00.01
 Support for State Operated Institutions of Higher Education for R30B24
 Towson University for the purpose of the College of Health Professions to
 increase the representation of Hispanics and Latinos in the healthcare
 professions through dedicated staff to support enrollment, engagement, degree
 completion, and wrap-around services to support academic success of these
 students. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by
 budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the
 General Fund;
- (34) \$500,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program D40W01.07 Management Planning and Education Outreach within the Department of Planning for the purpose of a passthrough grant for the Strengthening the Humanities in Nonprofits for Equity (SHINE) program within Maryland Humanities to support small and mid-size nonprofits in

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strengthening artistic, cultural, and educational opportunities and programming in communities across the State. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

- (35) \$500,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program D40W01.07 Management Planning and Education Outreach within the Department of Planning for the purpose of providing a grant to the Maryland Center for History and Culture to offset operating shortfalls. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (36) \$500,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program N00G00.03
 Child Welfare Services within the Social Services Administration within the
 Department of Human Services for the purpose of providing a grant to
 Adoptions Together for the Family Find Step Down Project to help foster
 children achieve permanency through adoption. Funds not expended for this
 added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to
 any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (37) \$500,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program Q00G00.01

 General Administration within the Police and Correctional Training

 Commissions budget within the Department of Public Safety and Correctional

 Services for the implementation of HB 223 or SB 192, contingent on the
 enactment of HB 223 or SB 192 establishing requirements, procedures, and
 prohibitions relating to the use of facial recognition technology by a law
 enforcement agency. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be
 transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall
 revert to the General Fund;
- (38) \$500,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R75T00.01
 Support for State Operated Institutions of Higher Education for R30B23 Bowie
 State University for the purpose of supporting the Center for Justice, Law, and
 Civic Engagement. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be

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transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

- (39) \$500,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R75T00.01 Support for State Operated Institutions of Higher Education for R30B21 the University of Maryland Baltimore Campus for the purpose of the University of Maryland School of Dentistry to provide preventive, restorative, urgent, and advanced oral health care for children in Baltimore not eligible for Medicaid oral health care due to undetermined immigration status. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (40) \$500,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R75T00.01
 Support for State Operated Institutions of Higher Education for R30B22
 University of Maryland, College Park Campus for the purpose of providing a grant to Move America, Inc. to foster partnerships between the federal government, state institutions, and the Prince George's County school system to promote jobs, research, and other areas for collaboration. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (41) \$350,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R00A03.03
 Other Institutions within the Funding for Educational Organizations budget
 within the Maryland State Department of Education for the purpose of
 providing a grant to the Living Classrooms Foundation. Funds not expended for
 this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise
 to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (42) \$325,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R75T00.01
 Support for State Operated Institutions of Higher Education for R30B28
 University of Baltimore for the purpose of supporting the Center for International and Comparative Law. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

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- (43) \$250,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program A15000.03

 Miscellaneous Grants within Payments to Civil Divisions of the State for the purpose of a grant to Kent County. The funds may only be expended to the purpose of increasing the local contribution to Kent County Public Schools above the fiscal 2023 contribution. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (44) \$250,000 in general funds and 1.0 regular position is added to the appropriation for program C81C00.17 Educational Affairs Division within the Office of the Attorney General for the purpose of hiring a special education ombudsman in accordance with Chapter 562 of 2020. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (45) \$250,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program D21A02.02

 The Children's Cabinet Interagency Fund within the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services for the purpose of increasing grant funding for the Young Readers Matching Grant Program. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (46) \$250,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program D28A03.41

 General Administration within the Maryland Stadium Authority for the purpose of facilitating nationally televised Maryland live sports and sports documentary content. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (47) \$250,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R75T00.01
 Support for State Operated Institutions of Higher Education for R30B23 Bowie
 State University for the purpose of providing funding for mental health support
 for students at Bowie State University. Funds not expended for this added

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purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

- (48) \$250,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program R75T00.01
 Support for State Operated Institutions of Higher Education for R30B22
 University of Maryland, College Park Campus (UMCP) for the purpose of funding the Partnership for Action Learning in Sustainability that is administered by the National Center for Smart Growth at UMCP. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (49) \$200,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program D40W01.07

 Management Planning and Education Outreach within the Department of
 Planning for the purpose of a grant to Amtrak to restore a historic train map at
 the Baltimore Penn Station facility. Funds not expended for this added purpose
 may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose
 and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (50) \$200,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program L00A12.07 State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners within the Maryland Department of Agriculture for the purpose of providing additional funding to the Spay/Neuter Fund to provide grants to State organizations that facilitate spay and neuter services for cats and dogs. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (51) \$200,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program Y01A02.01

 Dedicated Purpose Account within the Reserve Fund for the purpose of providing technical assistance in accordance with HB 261 or SB 424 contingent on the enactment of HB 261 or SB 424. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;

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- (52) \$194,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program D05E01.10

 Miscellaneous Grants to Private Nonprofit Groups within the Board of Public

 Works for the purpose of providing an operating grant to Historic Annapolis,

 Inc. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget

 amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General

 Fund;
- (53) \$125,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program D28A03.41

 General Administration within the Maryland Stadium Authority for the purpose of conducting a market and economic feasibility study for amphitheaters in Charles County, which at a minimum, explores the costs, benefits, and concerns of pursuing these projects. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund;
- (54) \$100,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program T00G00.02

 Office of Tourism Development within the Department of Commerce for the purpose of providing a grant to the Waterfront Partnership of Baltimore. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund; and
- (55) \$100,000 in general funds is added to the appropriation for program T00G00.05 Maryland State Arts Council within the Department of Commerce for the purpose of providing a grant to the Your Public Radio Corporation to produce a multiday event or events that primarily showcase Maryland-based film and filmmakers. Further provided that these added funds shall not be included in the fiscal 2025 calculation of Arts Council formula funding. Funds not expended for this added purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund.

Explanation: This section outlines the legislative additions to the budget.