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Updating the MyIR Mobile platform to expand its usefulness as a "voluntary vaccine passport" is an outrageous proposition. According to the fiscal and policy note, this would cost MDH close to 3 million dollars, and it would take 12-18 months for the work contract to even be awarded. As we are even now seeing the rollback of vaccine passports- because they are not useful, they are burdensome for businesses, and extremely unpopular with the public- committing the state to such a large expense is not sound policy. Further, especially given the recent situation with Maryland's health data and systems being compromised, this concept is a huge privacy and security risk.

Respectfully,

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