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By: **Senators Serafini, Bates, Cassilly, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Jennings,
Norman, Reilly, Salling, Simonaire, and Waugh**

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Workgroup on Categories for Funding Priorities in the Annual State Budget**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing a Workgroup on Categories for Funding Priorities in the
4 Annual State Budget; establishing the membership of the Workgroup; specifying the
5 purpose of the Workgroup; requiring the Workgroup to make findings and
6 recommendations and submit a report to the Governor and the General Assembly on
7 or before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally
8 relating to the Workgroup on Categories for Funding Priorities in the Annual State
9 Budget.

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
11 That:

12 (a) There is a Workgroup on Categories for Funding Priorities in the Annual State
13 Budget.

14 (b) The Workgroup consists of representatives from:

15 (1) the Department of Budget and Management, designated by the
16 Secretary of Budget and Management;

17 (2) the Office of the Comptroller, designated by the Comptroller; and

18 (3) the Department of Legislative Services, designated by the Executive
19 Director of the Department.

20 (c) The Department of Budget and Management shall convene the Workgroup to
21 study, evaluate, and make recommendations concerning budgeting models used by state or
22 local governments in the United States that utilize well-defined service categories to set
23 budget funding priorities and then allocate budget resources based on the categories of

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 funding priorities established.

2 (d) The Workgroup may:

3 (1) hold public hearings and receive testimony from the public and other
4 interested parties; and

5 (2) retain the services of consultants as it determines.

6 (e) The Department of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller,
7 and the Department of Legislative Services jointly shall provide staff for the Workgroup.

8 (f) On or before December 31, 2018, the Workgroup shall submit a report of its
9 findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the
10 State Government Article, the General Assembly.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
12 1, 2018. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 1 month and, at the end of June
13 30, 2019, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be
14 abrogated and of no further force and effect.