

THE COMMISSION SHALL MEET FROM TIME TO TIME TO CONSIDER ISSUES OF CONCERN TO THE COMMITTEE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Art. 40, § 22.

The only changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Committee" § 2-901
"Commission" § 2-901

SUBTITLE 10. SPENDING AFFORDABILITY.

2-1001. "COMMITTEE" DEFINED.

IN THIS SUBTITLE, "COMMITTEE" MEANS THE SPENDING AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language added to avoid repetition of the full title "Spending Affordability Committee".

2-1002. FINDINGS AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.

(A) FINDINGS.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS THAT STATE EXPENDITURES FOR OPERATING AND CAPITAL PROGRAMS MUST BE CONTROLLED SO THAT THE LEVEL OF STATE SPENDING IS CONSISTENT WITH THE ECONOMIC GROWTH OF THE STATE.

(B) MANNER OF CONTROL.

(1) THE CONTROL OF SPENDING SHALL BE EXERCISED THROUGH THE BUDGETARY PROCESS AS WELL AS THROUGH LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT AND PROGRAM REVIEW.

(2) THE BUDGET FOCUSES ON SPENDING FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR AND PROVIDES CAREFUL SCRUTINY OF NEW PROGRAMS OR EXPANSION OF EXISTING PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AND WEIGHS THE INCREMENTAL COST OF THE STATE BUDGET IN LIGHT OF THE PRIORITY NEEDS OF THE CITIZENS.

(3) LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT SEEKS TO ELIMINATE INEFFICIENCIES IN GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES AND TO EVALUATE PROGRAMS IN ORDER TO ELIMINATE THOSE NO LONGER REQUIRED AND TO AVOID OVERLAP AND DUPLICATION OF SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES.

(C) LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE; GOAL OF PROGRAM.

(1) THE LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR COORDINATING THE SPENDING AFFORDABILITY PROGRAM OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY APPOINTMENT OF A SPENDING AFFORDABILITY COMMITTEE AND BY SELECTION OF PROGRAM EVALUATION PROJECTS AND DIRECTION OF OVERSIGHT ACTIVITIES.