

Sincerely,
Harry Hughes
Governor

House Bill No. 1783

AN ACT concerning

Spending Affordability

FOR the purpose of requiring the appointment of a Spending Affordability Committee; providing for membership on that Committee; requiring that Committee to make certain studies; reports, and recommendations relating to state fiscal matters; requiring certain other committees of the General Assembly to file certain budget and other reports in response to the recommendations of this Committee; requiring certain action when the budget reported by the budget committees exceeds the recommendations of this Committee; providing for staff support for this Committee; requiring a certain report by the Department of Fiscal Services; requiring certain recommendations by the Legislative Policy Committee; requiring the Governor to consider the recommendations of the Spending Affordability Committee and to provide ~~certain reports--and--explanations~~ a report and explanation for deviations from those recommendations; and generally relating to spending affordability for this State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 15A - Budget and Fiscal Planning
Section 9
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1981 Replacement Volume and 1981 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 40 - General Assembly
Section 109 through 116 to be under the new subtitle
"Spending Affordability"
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1978 Replacement Volume and 1981 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland read(s) as follows: