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THE SECRETARY SHALL DESIGNATE THE STAFF NECESSARY TO ASSIST THE ADVISORY COUNCIL IN CARRYING OUT ITS FUNCTIONS AS PROVIDED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

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- (A) THE COUNCIL SHALL BE FUNDED AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.
- (B) THE FUNDING PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE COUNCIL IS INTENDED TO COMPLEMENT FUNDING RECEIVED FROM ANY OTHER LAWFUL SOURCE.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED. That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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- (a) (1) There is an Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Fund.
- (2) The Fund consists of moneys collected under § 16-111.1(f) of the Transportation Article.
- (3) The Fund is a special, continuing, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to § 7-302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.
- (4) The Treasurer shall separately hold and the Comptroller shall account for the Fund.
- (5) The Fund shall be invested and reinvested in the same manner as other State funds.
 - (6) Any investment earnings shall be retained to the credit of the Fund.
- (b) (1) The Fund shall be managed and supervised by the Secretary or the Secretary's designee I, with advice from the Advisory Council I.
- (2) The Fund shall be used to promote public education and awareness about organ, tissue, and eye donations.
- (3) THE SECRETARY SHALL CONTRACT WITH A QUALIFIED, INDEPENDENT. NONPROFIT THIRD PARTY TO PROMOTE PUBLIC EDUCATION AND AWARENESS ABOUT ORGAN, TISSUE, AND EYE DONATIONS.
- I(3)I(4) The Fund shall be subject to audit by the Office of Legislative Audits under Title 2. Subtitle 12 of the State Government Article.
- SECTION 2. 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October July 1, 2006. It <u>Section 2 of this Act</u> shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and 6 months and, at the end of September 30 December 31, 2009, with no further action required by the General Assembly, <u>Section 2 of</u> this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.