- (2) ON REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL SERVICES, A UNIT OF THE STATE OR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT SHALL PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL SERVICES WITH ASSISTANCE OR INFORMATION IN THE PREPARATION OF AN ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS RATING AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSES ANALYSIS.
- (G) (1) THE DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL SERVICES MAY INCLUDE AN ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS RATING AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS PREPARED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL SERVICES OR BY THE APPROPRIATE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AGENCY AS PART OF A FISCAL NOTE.
- (2) THE DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL SERVICES MAY COMMENT ON THE ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS RATING AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS PREPARED BY THE APPROPRIATE EXECUTIVE BRANCH AGENCY.
- (H) THE DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL SERVICES MAY REVISE THE ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS RATING AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS CONSISTENT WITH AN AMENDED VERSION OF A BILL.
- (G) (I) (1) THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE FISCAL SERVICES SHALL KEEP A COPY OF EACH ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS RATING AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS FOR 3 YEARS AFTER PREPARATION OF THE RATING OR THE ANALYSIS.
- (2) THE COPIES SHALL BE REASONABLY AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION.
- (H) (J) ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS RATINGS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSES NEED NOT BE PUBLISHED IN THE SENATE JOURNAL OR HOUSE JOURNAL.
- (K) THE VALIDITY OF AN ENACTMENT OF A BILL IS NOT AFFECTED BY THE PRESENCE, ABSENCE, OR CONTENT OF AN ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS RATING OR AN ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the members of the General Assembly are encouraged to provide economic impact analysis information to the appropriate legislative agency when submitting proposed legislation.
- SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Economic and Employment Development, after consultation with the Department of Legislative Reference, the Department of Fiscal Services, and the Maryland Chamber of Commerce, shall adopt regulations establishing criteria a business must meet to qualify as a "small business" within the meaning of this Act. The regulations shall be adopted no later than October 1, 1994.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1994.

May 26, 1994

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.