

Economic and Employment Development to the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; abolishing the Department of Economic and Employment Development and Department of Licensing and Regulation as principal departments of State government; providing for the appointment of the secretaries, deputy secretaries, and the heads of certain units of the new Departments and for the terms, duties, responsibilities, authority, and functions of those individuals; establishing the Maryland Economic Development Commission within the Department of Business and Economic Development; providing for the powers and duties of the Commission; establishing the procedures for appointing the Commission; setting the maximum number of Commission members; providing for ex officio membership on the Commission; providing for certain eligibility criteria for Commission members; providing for the terms of appointment to the Commission; establishing a certain meeting requirement and reporting requirement for the Commission; providing for the reimbursement of certain expenses of Commission members; requiring Commission members to be subject to the Maryland Public Ethics Law; requiring certain units of government to provide certain information to the Commission; abolishing certain cabinets, councils, and commissions in the Department of Business and Economic Development; establishing and providing for the powers, duties, and objectives of certain Divisions and units of government within each Department; abolishing certain Divisions and units of government within the Department of Business and Economic Development; designating an empowerment zone as an enterprise zone; ~~requiring that employees of the Department of Business and Economic Development hired after a certain date be in the unclassified service; requiring certain positions to remain in the classified service under certain conditions; authorizing the Secretary of the Department of Business and Employment Development to set the compensation of certain employees; increasing the maximum amount of certain loans within certain funds; increasing the maximum amount of moneys that may be retained in certain funds; authorizing the Secretary of the Department of Business and Economic Development to transfer funds among certain accounts for workplace training purposes; requiring the repayment of certain loans from the Defense Adjustment Loan Fund to be retained by the Fund under certain circumstances; repealing a certain restriction on loans made from the Defense Adjustment Loan Fund; declaring the intent of the General Assembly; requiring that the employees of the Department of Business and Economic Development hired after a certain date be in the unclassified service; requiring certain positions to remain in the classified service under certain conditions; authorizing the Secretary of the Department of Business and Economic Development to set the compensation of certain employees, subject to certain limitations; requiring that certain classified employees in the Department of Business and Economic Development participate in certain pay increases under certain circumstances; permitting a certain retraining program to apply to certain hospital employees; providing for the interpretation of certain provisions of this Act; requiring a certain department to take a certain action; increasing the maximum amount of certain loans within a certain fund; repealing a certain restriction on loans made from the Defense Adjustment Loan Fund; clarifying the individuals or parties who may appeal a certain decision of a certain board of appeals; providing that certain printing contracts for a certain department are not subject to a certain condition; authorizing certain investment earnings and the repayment of certain loans made from money transferred from the~~