

FOR the purpose of reorganizing State government by creating and establishing as principal departments of State government the Department of Business and Economic Development and the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; transferring and reassigning the duties, responsibilities, authority, functions, and units of the Department of Economic and Employment Development and the Department of Licensing and Regulation to the new Departments; transferring certain employment and training functions administered by the Department of 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; 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; ~~clarifying the individuals or parties who may appeal a certain decision of a certain board of appeals;~~ permitting a certain retraining program to apply to certain hospital employees; ~~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 Economic Development Opportunities Fund into certain Funds to be retained by those Funds; validating bonds, notes, and other evidence of indebtedness and obligations issued by the Department of Economic and Employment Development or any of its authorized bond issuers; requiring all