

## Senate Bill 720

AN ACT concerning

**Department of Human Resources - Welfare and Child Support Enforcement  
Innovation Act of 1999**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Executive Director of the Family Investment Administration of the Department of Human Resources to develop a certain process addressing cash assistance payment errors; requiring the Executive Director to require all local departments of social services to submit certain plans and to monitor the local departments' success in achieving the objectives of the plans; requiring the Department of Human Resources to conduct or contract for a certain audit of each local department and to prepare a certain report; requiring the audit to comply with certain auditing standards; altering the reimbursement of private contractors for child support enforcement services under the Child Support Enforcement Privatization Pilot Program; requiring a private contractor to offer employment upon certain terms to certain former State employees working for an existing contractor and to retain certain employees for a certain duration and at a certain salary; ~~altering the responsibility of the Secretary of Human Resources to provide certain job assistance to certain employees; repealing certain provisions~~ repealing a certain provision pertaining to a certain consultant for the Pilot Program ~~and to an employee who declines an offer of employment with a private contractor;~~ authorizing the Secretary, in consultation with the director of a certain local department of social services, to expand child support enforcement demonstration sites to additional jurisdictions; *clarifying certain retirement rights of certain former State employees hired by a private contractor under the Child Support Enforcement Privatization Pilot Program;* extending the termination date for the Child Support Enforcement Privatization Pilot Program; making certain technical corrections; stating the intent of the General Assembly with regard to certain demonstration sites and with regard to continuation of Medicaid benefits under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Human Resources to submit a certain report; requiring that the funding for a certain pilot program be provided at a certain level; requiring that the Secretary of Budget and Management establish a hiring program for welfare recipients; requiring certain reports on the hiring of welfare recipients; and generally relating to the Department of Human Resources, the Family Investment Program, and the Child Support Enforcement Privatization Pilot Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 Article 88A - Department of Human Resources  
 Section 1A and 3(a)  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1998 Replacement Volume)

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