It is the intent of the General Assembly that the department investigate further income generating measures for this facility in order to ensure its self-sufficiency and the possibility of financing a repayment of its construction costs

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- (xii) Provide a grant to the Baltimore Convention Center Authority to design and prepare detailed plans and specifications for the expansion of the Baltimore Convention Center (Baltimore City). He is the intent of the General Assembly that this appropriation is in no way a commitment to actually fund the construction of an expansion of the Baltimore Convention Center. This appropriation is simply a commitment for preliminary design and cost estimation work only. It is also the intent of the General Assembly that this appropriation is contingent upon the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore providing a matching grant of \$850,000. It is further the intent of the General Assembly that no more than \$425,000 of this appropriation be expended until the committees have received a financial plan for the expansion done in consultation with local governments in the Baltimore region It is the intent of the General Assembly that this appropriation is not a commitment in any way to provide further funding for an expansion of the convention center. It is also the intent of the General Assembly that this appropriation be contingent upon the authority securing dollar for dollar matching funds from other sources to finance design and planning costs for the expansion, provided that no more than half of the matching funds come from the City of Baltimore. It is further the intent of the General Assembly that General Obligation Bonds not be used in the financing of the expansion, and that no statewide tax will be implemented which is specifically earmarked for repaying the debt associated with expanding the Baltimore Convention Center. Additionally, it is the intent of the General Assembly that no more than half of this appropriation may be expended until:
  - (1) the Baltimore Convention Center Authority provides the budget committees a financing plan for the expansion done in consultation with local governments in the Baltimore region, and
  - (2) the committees have reviewed and commented upon the report or 45 days have elapsed from the date the report is received by the committees

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(xiii) Provide funds for the General Construction Loan Contingency Fund (Statewide).....

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(xiv) Provide funds for a grant to the Maryland National Capital Parks and Planning Commission for preliminary planning and design of a