

**HB1109/823022/1**

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1109  
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “authorizing” in line 11 down through “contracts” in line 13 and substitute “authorizing a health officer for a county to enter into certain contracts if the Secretary of Health does not respond to a request for approval within a certain time period”; in lines 14 and 15, in each instance, after “Commission” insert “on Public Health”; and in line 16, after “Commission” insert “on Public Health; establishing the Public Health Workforce Development Fund; requiring that interest earnings of the Public Health Workforce Development Fund remain in the Public Health Workforce Development Fund; authorizing the Maryland Department of Health and the Health Services Cost Review Commission to transfer money from the Population Health Improvement Fund to the Public Health Workforce Development Fund in a manner consistent with a certain agreement”.

On page 2, in line 1, after “Commission” insert “on Public Health”; in line 7, strike “and” and substitute a comma; in the same line, after “13-5102” insert “, and 13-5602(a)”; in line 12, strike “and”; in line 13, after “Corps” insert “; and 24-2801 and 24-2802 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 28. Public Health Workforce Development Fund””; in line 19, strike “and” and substitute a comma; in the same line, after “13-5106” insert “, and 13-5602(f)”; and after line 27, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Finance and Procurement

Section 6-226(a)(2)(i) and (ii)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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Article – State Finance and Procurement  
Section 6–226(a)(2)(iii)212. and 213.  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
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BY adding to

Article – State Finance and Procurement  
Section 6–226(a)(2)(iii)214.  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2021 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 6, strike beginning with “**(I)**” in line 3 down through “**OFFICERS**” in line 11 and substitute “**IF THE SECRETARY DOES NOT RESPOND TO A REQUEST FOR WRITTEN APPROVAL WITHIN 7 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING THE REQUEST, THE HEALTH OFFICER FOR THE COUNTY MAY ENTER THE CONTRACT OR WRITTEN AGREEMENT**”.

On page 12, after line 31, insert:

“13–5602.

(a) There is a Population Health Improvement Fund.

(f) (1) Subject to [paragraph] PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3) of this subsection, the Fund may be used only for expenses associated with statewide population health improvement initiatives in alignment with the statewide health equity plan as directed by the Secretary.

(2) Activities paid for by the Fund must support the goal of meeting the statewide population health targets outlined in the AHEAD Model State Agreement

with the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services and have at least one of the following functions:

- (i) Reducing rates of common preventable health conditions;
- (ii) Addressing health-related social needs; or
- (iii) Reducing or eliminating health disparities.

**(3) THE DEPARTMENT AND THE HEALTH SERVICES COST REVIEW COMMISSION MAY, IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE AHEAD MODEL STATE AGREEMENT, TRANSFER MONEY FROM THE FUND TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 24-2802 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

**SUBTITLE 28. PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND.**

**24-2801.**

**IN THIS SUBTITLE, "FUND" MEANS THE PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND.**

**24-2802.**

**(A) THERE IS A PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND.**

**(B) THE PURPOSE OF THE FUND IS TO SUPPORT THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE.**

(Over)

**(C) THE MARYLAND COMMUNITY HEALTH RESOURCES COMMISSION SHALL ADMINISTER THE FUND.**

**(D) (1) THE FUND IS A SPECIAL, NONLAPSING FUND THAT IS NOT SUBJECT TO § 7-302 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.**

**(2) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL HOLD THE FUND SEPARATELY, AND THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ACCOUNT FOR THE FUND.**

**(E) THE FUND CONSISTS OF:**

**(1) MONEY APPROPRIATED IN THE STATE BUDGET TO THE FUND;**

**(2) INTEREST EARNINGS OF THE FUND;**

**(3) ANY MONEY TRANSFERRED FROM THE POPULATION HEALTH IMPROVEMENT FUND UNDER § 13-5602 OF THIS ARTICLE; AND**

**(4) ANY OTHER MONEY FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE ACCEPTED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FUND.**

**(F) THE FUND MAY BE USED ONLY TO SUPPORT THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE.**

**(G) (1) THE STATE TREASURER SHALL INVEST THE MONEY OF THE FUND IN THE SAME MANNER AS OTHER STATE MONEY MAY BE INVESTED.**

**(2) ANY INTEREST EARNINGS OF THE FUND SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE FUND.**

(H) EXPENDITURES FROM THE FUND MAY BE MADE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STATE BUDGET.

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6–226.

(a) (2) (i) This paragraph does not apply in fiscal years 2024 through 2028.

(ii) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and unless inconsistent with a federal law, grant agreement, or other federal requirement or with the terms of a gift or settlement agreement, net interest on all State money allocated by the State Treasurer under this section to special funds or accounts, and otherwise entitled to receive interest earnings, as accounted for by the Comptroller, shall accrue to the General Fund of the State.

(iii) The provisions of subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph do not apply to the following funds:

212. the Department of Social and Economic Mobility Special Fund; [and]

213. the Population Health Improvement Fund; AND

214. THE PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FUND.”.

On page 17, in line 27, after “and” insert “6 months and”; and in line 28, strike “June 30” and substitute “December 31”.