SENATE BILL 782

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By: Senators Hester and Rosapepe

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2	Workgroup on the Post-COVID-19 Crisis Economic T	ransition
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- FOR the purpose of establishing the Workgroup on the Post–COVID–19 Crisis Economic Transition; and generally relating to the COVID–19 economic crisis.
- 5 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, 6 That:
- 7 (a) There is a Workgroup on the Post–COVID–19 Crisis Economic Transition.
- 8 (b) The Workgroup consists of the following members:
- 9 (1) four members of the Senate of Maryland, including members from the
- 10 Budget and Taxation Committee, the Finance Committee, and the Education, Health, and
- 11 Environmental Affairs Committee, appointed by the President of the Senate;
- 12 (2) four members of the House of Delegates, including members from the
- 13 Appropriations Committee, the Committee on Ways and Means, the Economic Matters
- 14 Committee, the Health and Government Operations Committee, and the Environment and
- 15 Transportation Committee, appointed by the Speaker of the House;
- 16 (3) five members of the business sector, including representatives from the
- 17 health care industry, cybersecurity industry, restaurant industry, childcare industry, and
- 18 a multi–industry organization appointed by the Governor;
- 19 (4) one member of the State nonprofit sector appointed by the Governor;
- 20 (5) the Secretary of Commerce, or the Secretary's designee;
- 21 (6) the Secretary of Labor, or the Secretary's designee;



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1	((7) t	he Secretary o	f Tr	ransportat	ion, o	r the Secretar	ry's designee; a	nd	
2 3	Secretary's de	. ,	•	of	Housing	and	Community	Development,	or	the
4 5			esident of the S s as cochair of			_	aker of the H	ouse shall each	app	oint
6	(d) '	The De	partment of Le	egis	lative Serv	vices s	hall provide s	staff for the Wo	rkgr	oup.
7	(e) '	The Wo	rkgroup:							
8	•	(1) n	nay retain the	ser	vices of th	e Uni	versity of Ma	ryland; and		
9	,	(2) s	hall be approp	riat	ted \$500,0	00 for	that purpose	·.		
0	(f)	A meml	per of the Wor	kgro	oup:					
1		(1) n	nay not receive	e co	mpensatio	n as a	n member of t	he Workgroup;	but	
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18	((2) to	elework;							
9	((3) o	nline educatio	n, f	rom kinde	rgarte	en to graduate	e programs;		
20	((4) c	hildcare;							
21	((5) jo	ob creation acc	elei	ration;					
22	((6) u	nemployment	con	npensation	ı;				
23	((7) u	nderemploym	ent;	;					
24	((8) s	mall business	es a	nd entrep	reneu	rship;			
25	((9) ta	ax system mod	derr	nization;					
26 27			hanges in real nunity econon			s office	e space, retail	, residential, re	ntal	and

1	(11) supply chain management;
2 3	(12) small businesses that are not associated with a chain store, commonly referred to as "main street businesses";
4	(13) rebuilding the public health system; and
5	(14) other impacts on public services.
6 7 8	(h) On or before December 1, 2022, the Workgroup shall submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with $\S 2-1257$ of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.
9 10 11	(i) On or before December 1, 2023, the Workgroup shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with \S 2–1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.
$\frac{12}{13}$	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of June 30, 2024,

this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and

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of no further force and effect.