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## EMERGENCY BILL

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By: Allegany County Delegation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

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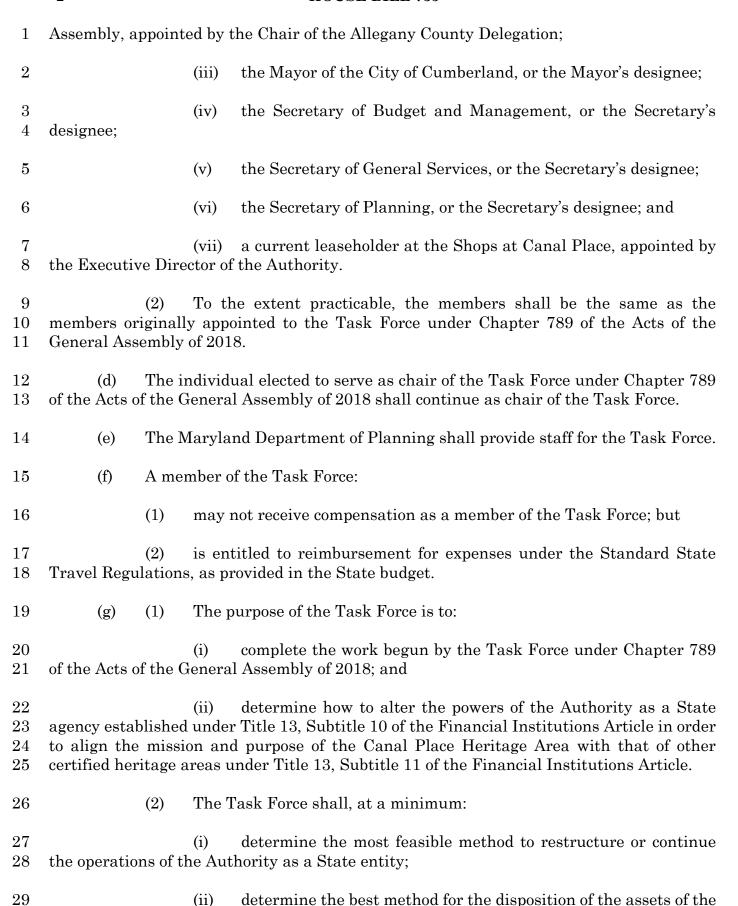
## Task Force on the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority – Reestablishment

- 4 FOR the purpose of reestablishing the Task Force on the Canal Place Preservation and 5 Development Authority; providing for the composition, chair, staffing, and purpose 6 of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain 7 compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the 8 Task Force to consult with certain entities and study and make recommendations on 9 certain matters; requiring the Department of General Services to conduct a certain appraisal for a certain purpose; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and 10 11 recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a 12 certain date; defining a certain term; making this Act an emergency measure; 13 providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force on 14 the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority.
- 15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, 16 That:
- 17 (a) In this section, "Authority" means the Canal Place Preservation and 18 Development Authority.
- 19 (b) The Task Force on the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority, 20 originally established by Chapter 789 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2018, is 21 reestablished.
- 22 (c) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Task Force consists of 23 the following members:
- 24 (i) the Chair of the Authority, or the Chair's designee;
  - (ii) a member of the Allegany County Delegation to the General



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Authority, which may include:



the transfer of all or part of the assets to another State 1 1. 2 agency under § 10-304 of the State Finance and Procurement Article; and 3 2. the sale and transfer of all or part of the assets to a private entity, which must provide the current leaseholders of the Shops at Canal Place with a 4 5 right of first refusal on the sale or transfer of the Shops at Canal Place; 6 determine the best method for the transfer of all leases held and (iii) 7 maintained by the Authority; 8 (iv) examine the effect of the Task Force's recommendations on State 9 employees at the Authority; 10 examine the costs associated with the dissolution of the (v) 11 Authority; 12 (vi) consult with the United States Department of the Interior and other applicable federal entities regarding the disposition of Authority assets; 13 14 (vii) undertake any other studies or examinations deemed necessary; 15 and 16 (viii) recommend draft legislation to implement the conclusions of the 17 Task Force. 18 (3)In order to carry out the Task Force's duties, on or before July 1, (i) 19 2020, the Department of General Services shall conduct an independent appraisal of the 20 property owned and maintained by the Authority. 21 (ii) The appraisal required under this paragraph shall be used to 22issue a Request for Expressions of Interest to determine the external interest in the 23purchase of any or all assets managed by the Authority. 24 On or before September 1, 2020, the Task Force shall report its findings and 25 recommendations, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee and the House Appropriations Committee. 26 27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency 28 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has 29 been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to 30 each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is 31 enacted. It shall remain effective through June 30, 2021, and, at the end of June 30, 2021, 32 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.