HOUSE BILL 703

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By: **Delegate Rosenberg**
Introduced and read first time: February 1, 2017
Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Health – Tobacco Control Funding**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring a certain amount of funding in the annual budget for
4   activities aimed at reducing tobacco use in Maryland; and generally relating to
5   funding for the Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation Program.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7   Article – Health – General
8   Section 13–1015
9   Annotated Code of Maryland
10   (2015 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

11   SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
12 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Health – General

14 13–1015.

15   (a)   For fiscal year 2011 and fiscal year 2012, the Governor shall include at least
16 $6,000,000 in the annual budget in appropriations for activities aimed at reducing tobacco
17 use in Maryland as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention,
18 including:

19   (1)   Media campaigns aimed at reducing smoking initiation and
20 encouraging smokers to quit smoking;

21   (2)   Media campaigns educating the public about the dangers of secondhand
22 smoke exposure;

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1   (3)   Enforcement of existing laws banning the sale or distribution of tobacco
2 products to minors;

3   (4)   Promotion and implementation of smoking cessation programs; and

4   (5)   Implementation of school–based tobacco education programs.

5   (b)   For fiscal **[**year 2013 and each fiscal year thereafter,**]** **YEARS 2013, 2014,**
6 **2015, 2016, AND 2017,** the Governor shall include at least $10,000,000 in the annual
7 budget in appropriations for the purposes described in subsection (a) of this section.

8   **(C)   FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE**
9 **GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE AT LEAST $21,000,000 IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET IN**
10 **APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS**
11 **SECTION.**

12   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
13 1, 2017.