

(1968 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 20(b-2) be and it is hereby added to Article 15A - Budget and Procurement, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article 15A - Budget and Procurement

20.

(B-2) PRIOR TO JULY 15TH OF EACH YEAR, ALL DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OF THE STATE SHALL EVALUATE THOSE FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS, PROGRAMS, GRANTS, CONTRACTS OR REIMBURSEMENTS FOR WHICH AN INCREASED STATE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION WILL BE REQUIRED IN THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING THE FOLLOWING JULY 1. THE EVALUATION SHALL INCLUDE A DESCRIPTION, STATEMENT OF EFFECTIVENESS AND A RECOMMENDATION WITH RESPECT TO FUTURE GENERAL FUND SUPPORT. THE EVALUATION SHALL BE IN THE FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FISCAL PLANNING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF FISCAL SERVICES, AND COPIES SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE JOINT BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE NOT LATER THAN AUGUST 15. HOWEVER, ANY DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, BOARD OR COMMISSION WHICH DETERMINES AFTER JULY 15 THAT AN INCREASED GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION WILL BE REQUIRED IN THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR AS A SUPPLEMENT OR SUBSTITUTE FOR A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECT, PROGRAM, GRANT, CONTRACT OR REIMBURSEMENT, SHALL SUBMIT THE EVALUATION TO THE DEPARTMENT AND THE COMMITTEE WITHIN 45 DAYS AFTER DETERMINATION OF THE NEED FOR THE INCREASED GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION. PROVIDED, THAT FEDERALLY FUNDED PROJECTS, PROGRAMS, GRANTS, CONTRACTS OR REIMBURSEMENTS INVOLVING THE ACQUISITION OF LAND OR THE CONSTRUCTION OR DEVELOPMENT OF BUILDINGS OR OTHER CAPITAL EXPENDITURES SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION, AND PROVIDED FURTHER THAT THE JOINT BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MAY GRANT AN EXCEPTION FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION UPON REQUEST OF A DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, BOARD OR COMMISSION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That notwithstanding the provisions in Section 1, the evaluations required by Section 1 of this Act for the 1977 fiscal year shall be submitted by January 1, 1976, instead of August 15, 1975.