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By: **Delegates Fair and Pruski** Requested: September 9, 2024

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

State Department of Assessments and Taxation and Department of General
Services - Property Appraisal Aids - Geographic Images

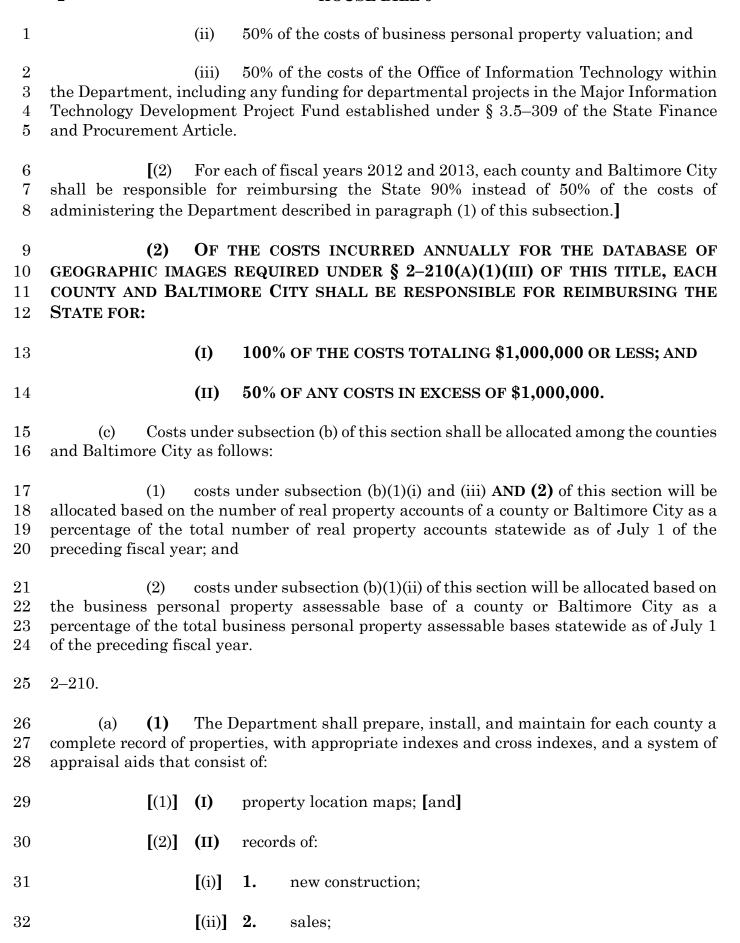
FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Assessments and Taxation to prepare, install, and maintain certain property appraisal aids that consist of a database of certain geographic images; requiring the Department of General Services to procure for the State a certain uniform system that includes any tools or services needed to prepare, maintain, and install the appraisal aids; requiring each county and Baltimore City to reimburse the State for certain costs of the database of geographic images; and generally relating to property appraisal aids and records.

- 11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 12 Article Tax Property
- 13 Section 2–106(b) and (c) and 2–210
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)
- SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 17 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 18 Article Tax Property
- 19 2–106.
- 20 (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each county and Baltimore City shall be responsible for reimbursing the State for the costs of administering the Department as follows:
- 23 (i) 50% of the costs of real property valuation;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.





1	[(iii)] 3. building costs; and
2	[(iv)] 4. private appraisals; AND
3 4	(III) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A DATABASE OF STATEWIDE AND LOCAL GEOGRAPHIC IMAGES THAT INCLUDES:
5 6	1. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM VISUALIZATIONS; AND
7	2. OBLIQUE AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGERY.
8 9 10 11	(2) (I) THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES SHALL PROCURE FOR THE STATE A UNIFORM SYSTEM THAT INCLUDES ANY TOOLS OR SERVICES NEEDED TO PREPARE, INSTALL, AND MAINTAIN THE APPRAISAL AIDS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1)(III) OF THIS SUBSECTION.
12 13 14 15	(II) TO CARRY OUT THE REQUIREMENT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES SHALL GATHER INFORMATION AND INPUT ON THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE APPRAISAL AIDS BY CONSULTING WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND AFFECTED OR RELEVANT UNITS OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
17 18 19	(b) (1) The Department shall publish instructions and directions that set forth generally the duties to be performed and the procedures to be followed in making and recording assessments.
20 21 22	(2) The instructions and directions shall be distributed to the governing body of each county, all assessment officers, and any official who has any duty that relates to assessments.
23 24	(c) The Director shall establish and provide all forms for notices, records, reports, and other matters that relate to the functions of supervisors and assessors.
25 26	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2025.