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House Bill 441
Ways and Means

(Delegate McKay)

Budget and Taxation

Department of Assessments and Taxation - Identification Number for Business -
Task Force

This bill requires the State Department of Assessments and Taxation (SDAT) to convene a task force to study and make recommendations on the adoption of a unique Maryland Identification Number for each business registered and licensed in the State to be used by specified State agencies. SDAT must report to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1, 2021, on the findings and recommendations of the task force, including any proposed legislation. **The bill takes effect June 1, 2021, and terminates June 30, 2022.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Any expense reimbursements for task force members and any staffing costs are assumed to be minimal and absorbable within existing budgeted resources.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Bill Summary: The task force must (1) study and make recommendations on the adoption of a unique Maryland Identification Number for each business registered and licensed by a State agency; (2) determine which State agencies could practicably use the Maryland Identification Number, including, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Natural Resources, the Department of the Environment, the Department of State Police, the Department of Transportation, the State Department of Education, and the Maryland Insurance Administration; (3) identify which

State agencies that register or license businesses in the State could not practicably use the Maryland Identification Number; and (4) recommend the dates by which the State agencies that have adopted the Maryland Identification Number could begin using the Maryland Identification Number.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: SB 366 (Senator McCray) - Budget and Taxation.

Information Source(s): Comptroller's Office; Secretary of State; Maryland Department of Labor; Department of Natural Resources; State Department of Assessments and Taxation; Department of Legislative Services

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