

SB0250/523821/1

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 250
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “**and Local**”; strike beginning with “requiring” in line 3 down through “invoice;” in line 5; in line 6, strike “the State owes interest on unpaid amounts and”; in the same line, after “on” insert “certain”; in line 7, after “unpaid” insert “procurement contract”; strike beginning with “repealing” in line 7 down through “payments;” in line 8 and substitute “requiring the Department of Legislative Services to submit a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date;”; in line 9, strike “and local governments”; strike in their entirety lines 11 through 15, inclusive; and in line 18, strike “15–103 through 15–105” and substitute “15–104”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 23 on page 1 through line 4 on page 2, inclusive.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 6 through 11, inclusive; in line 17, strike “**15**” and substitute “**30**”; in line 18, strike the brackets; and in the same line, strike “**16TH**”.

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 22 on page 2 through line 1 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1, 2022, the Department of Legislative Services shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, on:

- (1) for each unit of State government:

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(i) the number of unit staff whose work responsibilities involve processing procurement contract payments;

(ii) the number of vacancies for positions that would be assigned to process procurement contract payment; and

(iii) for at least the prior 3 fiscal years:

1. the average time for the unit to process a procurement contract payment;

2. the percentage of procurement contract payments that are:

A. paid within 30 days after the day on which the payment becomes due under the procurement contract;

B. paid after 30 days but fewer than 37 days after the day on which the payment becomes due under the procurement contract;

C. paid after 37 days but fewer than 45 days after the day on which the payment becomes due under the procurement contract; and

D. paid 45 days or more after the day on which the payment becomes due under the procurement contract; and

3. the amount of interest paid by the unit for late payments made on procurement contract invoices;

(2) based on the information obtained under item (1) of this section, the fiscal impact to the State of:

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(i) reducing the number of days following receipt of an invoice after which the State owes interest on unpaid amounts; and

(ii) reducing the number of days following receipt of an invoice after which interest begins to accrue on unpaid amounts; and

(3) the status of the upgrade of the Comptroller's online payment processing portal.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) On or before December 1, 2022, the Department of Information Technology, in consultation with the Comptroller, the Department of Budget and Management, the Department of Transportation, the Department of General Services, and the State Treasurer, shall report on:

(1) the status of the upgrade of the Comptroller's online payment processing portal;

(2) the status of plans to upgrade the State's Financial Management Information System, including target dates for critical project milestones;

(3) the status of plans to ensure all units of government engaging in procurement utilize electronic systems for the processing of payments; and

(4) the extent to which all electronic payment processing systems used by units of State government can be integrated into one central electronic system.

(b) The report required under subsection (a) of this section shall be submitted to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, on or before November 1, 2022.

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(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly that any plans for the upgrade of the State's Financial Management Information System include goals to significantly reduce the amount of time in which payments are processed."

On page 3, strike lines 2 and 3 in their entirety and substitute:

"SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 2023.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section 4 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022."