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November 1, 2022

The Honorable Delores G. Kelley Chair, Senate Finance Committee 3 East Miller Senate Office Building Annapolis MD 21401-1991

The Honorable Benjamin S. Barnes, Esq Chair, House Appropriations Committee 6 Bladen Street Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Chair Kelley and Chair Barnes:

Section 5-304(b) (3)(ii) of the Human Services Article requires the Secretary of Budget and Management, with the assistance of the Secretary of Human Services (DHS) to report annually to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Appropriations Committee on the number of recipients of benefits through the Family Investment Program (FIP), children of current or former FIP recipients, foster youth, and child support obligors hired and retained by the principal departments within the Executive Branch of State government.

The attached chart, prepared by the Office of Personnel Services and Benefits, presents the data as reported by DHS. The chart includes the number of recipients hired by principal departments within the executive branch, and the number of recipients that were still employed as of June 30, 2022. There were 121 additional recipients hired in fiscal year 2022 as compared to fiscal year 2021. In fiscal year 2022, a total of one child of a former recipient, six children of current recipients, four foster care youth and one obligor were hired and retained by executive branch principal departments. The overall retention rate for this program since its inception in 1999 is 24 percent.

If you would like additional information, please contact me or have your staff contact Cindy Kollner, Executive Director, Office of Personnel Services and Benefits at 410-767-4715 or <u>cindy.kollner@maryland.gov</u>.

Sincerely, L Sukley David R. Brinkley Secretary

Enclosure

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## Welfare to Work Program Hires By State Agencies July 1, 1999 - June 30, 2022

| Department                              | Hired | Retained |
|---|-------|----------|
| Aging                                   | 8     | 0        |
| Agriculture                             | 12    | 5        |
| Budget and Management                   | 14    | 0        |
| Commerce                                | 2     | 2        |
| Disabilities                            | 2     | 0        |
| Education                               | 27    | 6        |
| Environment                             | 7     | 1        |
| General Services                        | 13    | 6        |
| Housing and Community Development       | 13    | 3        |
| Human Services                          | 506   | 168      |
| Information Technology                  | 2     | 0        |
| Juvenile Services                       | 165   | 28       |
| Maryland Dept. of Health                | 502   | 89       |
| Maryland Dept. of Labor                 | 36    | 10       |
| Maryland Dept. of Transportation        | 556   | 162      |
| Maryland State Police                   | 11    | 3        |
| Natural Resources                       | 49    | 11       |
| Public Safety and Correctional Services | 438   | 79       |
| Veterans Affairs                        | 5     | 0        |
| TOTAL                                   | 2368  | 573      |