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November 1, 2023

The Honorable Pamela Beidle
Chair, Senate Finance Committee
3 East Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis MD 21401-1991

The Honorable Ben Barnes
Chair, House Appropriations Committee
121 House Office Building
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Chair Beidle and Chair Barnes:

Section 5-304(b) (3) 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 in fiscal 2023, and the number of recipients hired since 1999 that were still employed as of June 30, 2023. In fiscal 2023, 2,552 recipients were hired by the principal departments of the State. There were 185 additional recipients hired in fiscal 2023 as compared to fiscal 2022. A total of 15 children of a former recipient and 2 foster care youth were hired and retained by Executive Branch principal departments in fiscal 2023.

If you would like additional information, please contact Cindy Kollner, Executive Director, Office of Personnel Services and Benefits at 410-767-4715 or cindy.kollner@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Helene Grady".

Helene Grady
Secretary

Enclosure

cc: Raquel Coombs, Chief of Staff, Department of Budget and Management (DBM)
Cynthia A. Kollner, Executive Director, DBM, Office of Personnel Services and Benefits
Laura Vykol-Gray, Director, Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations, DBM

**Number of Family Investment Program Benefits Recipients Hired and Retained by State Executive Branch Principal Departments
Fiscal 2023**

<u>Department</u>	<u>Hired</u>	<u>Retained*</u>
Aging	8	0
Agriculture	12	1
Budget and Management	14	0
Commerce	2	2
Disabilities	2	0
Education	28	3
Environment	9	1
General Services	14	5
Housing and Community Development	15	3
Human Services	572	157
Information Technology	2	0
Juvenile Services	170	24
Maryland Department of Health	527	72
Maryland Department of Labor	44	9
Maryland Department of Transportation	605	141
Maryland State Police	13	3
Natural Resources	51	8
Public Safety and Correctional Services	458	74
Veterans Affairs	6	0
TOTAL	2,552	503

*Retained employees reflect the number of benefits recipients since 1999 that are still employed with the State as of June 30, 2023.