

# SENATE BILL 587

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By: **Senator Robinson**

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Human Services – Baltimore City Department of Social Services**  
3 **– Audit**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Inspector General in the Department of Human Services  
5 to conduct a certain audit of the Baltimore City Department of Social Services in a  
6 certain fiscal year; requiring the audit to include a review of certain items; requiring  
7 a certain report of a certain audit's findings to be distributed to certain entities; and  
8 generally relating to an audit of the Baltimore City Department of Social Services.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
10 Article – Human Services  
11 Section 3–602  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2007 Volume and 2017 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Human Services**

17 3–602.

18 (a) At least once every 3 years, the Office of the Inspector General in the  
19 Department shall:

20 (1) conduct or contract for a financial and compliance audit of each local  
21 department; and

22 (2) prepare a written report of the audit findings.

23 (b) The audit shall comply with the auditing standards issued by the Institute of

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Internal Auditors.

2 (c) The written report of the audit findings shall be distributed to:

3 (1) the local board; and

4 (2) the local governing authority.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

6 (a) In fiscal 2019, the Office of the Inspector General in the Department of Human  
7 Services shall conduct a financial and compliance audit of the Baltimore City Department  
8 of Social Services.

9 (b) The audit conducted under subsection (a) of this section shall include a review  
10 of the Baltimore City Department of Social Services':

11 (1) compliance with law and regulations;

12 (2) responses to deaths of clients under care;

13 (3) procedures used to place children in foster care;

14 (4) caseload per employee;

15 (5) procedures for visiting children in foster care after placement; and

16 (6) employment requirements for individuals employed in supervisory  
17 positions.

18 (c) The written report of the audit findings shall be distributed to the Joint Audit  
19 Committee and the Office of Legislative Audits, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State  
20 Government Article.

21 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
22 1, 2018.