



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 515**

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Substitute House Bill No. 5791

*House of Representatives, April 16, 2002*

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. DYSON of the 94th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

## **AN ACT ESTABLISHING A BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON THE MAXIMIZATION OF FEDERAL FUNDS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a Blue  
2 Ribbon Commission on the impact of the statutory and constitutional  
3 limit on expenditures on the state's ability to maximize revenue from  
4 federal sources. The commission shall be comprised of eleven  
5 members as follows: The chairpersons and ranking members of the  
6 joint standing committee on appropriations and seven members  
7 appointed jointly by the Governor, the speaker of the House of  
8 Representatives, the president pro tempore of the Senate and the  
9 majority and the minority leaders of the House of Representatives and  
10 of the Senate.

11 (b) On or before December 5, 2002, the commission shall make a  
12 preliminary report to the General Assembly regarding findings or  
13 recommendations concerning legislative or regulatory action which

14 may be taken to address such maximization. The commission shall  
15 make a final report concerning any such findings or recommendations  
16 on or before January 1, 2003. Such reports shall be made in accordance  
17 with section 11-4a of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>

**APP**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

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**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:**

Fund-Type	Agency Affected	Current FY \$	FY 03 \$	FY 04 \$
GF - Cost	Various	-	Minimal	-

**Municipal Impact:** None

**Explanation**

This bill establishes a Blue Ribbon Commission on federal revenue maximization. This commission must report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by January 1, 2003. As members of the General Assembly serve on this commission, the Joint Committee on Legislative Management will incur a minimal cost. A total cost of less than \$5,000 may result from mileage reimbursement to legislators in traveling to and from meetings. Legislators are currently reimbursed 36 ½ cents per mile. Considering that legislators may be traveling to and from the capitol on other legislative business, any additional cost due to an increased number of reimbursed trips could be handled within the anticipated budgetary resources of the department.

The bill calls for the Governor and legislative leaders to appoint seven members to the commission. To the extent that these appointees are state employees, their agencies will incur additional administrative expenses related to participating in the meetings of the commission. These additional expenses are expected to be minimal.

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**OFA Bill Analysis**

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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON THE  
MAXIMIZATION OF FEDERAL FUNDS.**

**SUMMARY:**

This bill creates a Blue Ribbon Commission on the maximization of federal revenue. This commission must study the impact that statutory and constitutional expenditure limits have on federal revenue maximization. The commission must make a preliminary report to the General Assembly by December 5, 2002. Such report will detail findings and recommendations concerning legislative or regulatory action which may be taken to address revenue maximization. A final report on findings and recommendations is due to the General Assembly by January 1, 2003.

The commission is composed of the chairs and ranking members of the Appropriations Committee, as well as 7 members appointed by the Governor and legislative leaders.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon Passage

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 33    Nay 17