

**Office of the County Auditor**  
**Auditor's Analysis**

**Council Resolution No. 30-2024**

Introduced: March 4, 2024  
Auditor: Diane Zagorski-Kelly

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Fiscal Impact:

This legislation will result in no fiscal impact to the County. The request for additional appropriations of \$800,000 in the Fiscal Year 2024 budget represents State funds, provided by the Maryland Department of Health.

According to the Deputy Health Officer at the Howard County Health Department, the additional appropriation includes \$700,000 of reimbursed administrative costs related to State grants and \$100,000 in additional revenue resulting from an increase in Medicaid rates.

Purpose:

Council Resolution 30-2024 seeks to amend the Howard County Health Department FY 2024 Operating Budget to receive additional funding in the amount of \$800,000 from the State of Maryland.

Other Comments:

The Fiscal Year 2025 budget request will reflect the new rate of 8 percent for Medicaid related revenue.

The Deputy Health Officer at the Howard County Health Department stated that the requested appropriations were mistakenly taken out of their FY 2024 budget resolution (Council Resolution 70-2023) and that no additional employees will be hired with the proposed increase in personnel cost appropriation for FY 2024.