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General Introduction

Good morning. Thank you, Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee for the opportunity to appear before you today regarding the Department of General Services' capital budget. I am Secretary Gail Bassette. We would like to thank Mr. Jolshua Rosado for his analysis of the Department's FY 2016 Capital Budget Request.

The Department of General Services has the key role of supporting the capital infrastructure needs of those agencies we serve. The proposed Capital Program funding will allow DGS to continue its ongoing capital facilities program.

The Department continues to provide efficient and effective customer service to our state agencies. During FY 2014, we awarded over \$6 million in new projects and completed over \$8 million of ongoing capital maintenance. We currently have 34 projects in design that have a construction value over \$14 million.

On behalf of all the employees of the Department of General Services, thank you for this opportunity to appear before this committee.

GO Bond Recommended Actions

1. Approve the funding for the Construction Contingency Fund.
DGS concurs.
2. Approve the funding for the Facilities Renewal Fund.
DGS concurs.
3. Approve the de-authorization of general obligation bond funds for the State Government Center.
DGS concurs.
4. Approve the de-authorization of general obligation bond funds for the State House – Old House of Delegates Chamber.
DGS concurs.
5. Approve the de-authorization funds for the Saratoga Center Garage annex as current status of the project is still on hold due to ownership issues.
DGS Respectfully disagrees. DGS is working on resolving the ownership issues with the City of Baltimore. The garage needs repairs, which will be undertaken once the ownership is resolved.
6. Approve the de-authorization of general obligation bond funds to replace the fire alarm system in the William Donald Schaefer Tower.
DGS concurs.