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Fiscal Year 2027 Operating Budget
Response to Department of Legislative Services Analysis**

House Appropriations Committee – Transportation and Environment Subcommittee
Delegate Courtney Watson, Chair February 5, 2026

Senate Budget and Taxation Committee – Public Safety, Transportation, and Environment
Subcommittee
Senator Shelly Hettleman, Chair February 9, 2026

The Maryland Department of Planning (MDP) values and appreciates the Department of Budget and Management and the Department of Legislative Services for the time and effort they have provided in the production of our FY27 budget. In working with these two agencies, we were pleased to be able to fully answer any questions they had prior to our hearing.

Knowing that this is an arduous process and that the job before you in addressing the budgetary needs of the state is monumental, we would simply state that MDP concurs with DLS' recommendation for MDP's FY27 Budget.