

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 56: Department of Administrative Services Homelessness Prevention

To:	Emergency Board
From:	General Government Subcommittee
Carrier:	Senator Frederick

The General Government Subcommittee recommends that the Emergency Board allocate \$1 million General Fund from the Emergency Fund to the Department of Administrative Services for distribution to the Coalition of African and African American Pastors for rent assistance, with the understanding the Department will unschedule the same amount appropriated in the 2024 session for the Coalition to support land acquisition and development of low-income housing.

The 2024 session omnibus budget reconciliation measure included a \$1 million General Fund appropriation for distribution to the Coalition for land acquisition and development of low-income housing. After the close of session, the Coalition indicated that the intended purpose of the appropriation was for rent assistance and that land acquisition and low-income housing development are not within the organization's scope of work.

The allocation of \$1 million from the Emergency Fund for rent assistance will help the Coalition avoid significant delays in delivering homelessness prevention services. Additionally, the Department of Administrative Services can administratively unschedule the \$1 million appropriation approved during the 2024 session until the funding can be disappropriated during the 2025 session.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends approval.