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NOTICE

This notice is given by **Kevin Anderson, Secretary** of the **Maryland Department of Commerce**, acting pursuant to Governor Wes Moore's (the "Governor") Executive Order 01.01.2024.10 dated March 26, 2024, declaring a State of Emergency related to the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge, as it may be amended or renewed from time to time, and the Governor's Executive Order 01.01.2024.12, dated April 11, 2024 entitled "*Authorizing Suspension of Statutes, Rules, and Regulations Governing Grants, Procurements, and Temporary Assistance Programs Related to the Francis Scott Key Bridge Collapse*," as it may be amended from time to time, after finding that the action(s) described herein are necessary to protect the public health, welfare, or safety and will not endanger the public health, welfare, or safety.

CHs 2 & 3, Acts of 2024, among other things establish basic eligibility requirements for the temporary relief program for businesses to be administered by the Maryland Department of Commerce (Commerce). To ensure that businesses that are fully closed or are unable to divert business functions to another port are eligible for relief funding, Commerce is suspending the requirement under (d)(1)(iii) of Section 2 which requires that the operations or shipments of a business be diverted to another regional port in order for that business to be eligible. Any effect of CHs 2 & 3, Acts of 2024 inconsistent for the foregoing is hereby suspended.

This Notice is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until the State of Emergency has been terminated.

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Kevin A. Anderson
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