AN ACT CONCERNING LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT AND APPROVAL OF COVID-19 RELIEF FUNDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, if, during any fiscal year, the state is designated to receive federal funds pursuant to the provisions of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, or any subsequent federal act granting more than ____ dollars to the state related to COVID-19, the Governor shall submit recommended allocations of such funds to the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate not later than thirty days after the passage of such act. Within five days of receipt of the recommended allocations, the speaker and the president pro tempore shall submit the recommended allocations to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies. Said committee shall report their approval or modifications, if any, of such recommended allocations to the General Assembly for approval. Disbursement of such funds shall be in accordance with the allocations approved by the General Assembly.
disbursement of such funds shall occur prior to such approval by the
General Assembly. As used in this section, "COVID-19" means the
respiratory disease designated by the World Health Organization on
February 11, 2020, as coronavirus 2019, and any related mutation thereof
recognized by said organization as a communicable respiratory disease.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

| Section 1 | from passage | New section |

**Statement of Purpose:**
To establish a process for legislative oversight and approval of the
allocation of COVID-19 relief funds from the federal government.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]