



General Assembly

January Session, 2025

**Proposed Bill No. 140**

LCO No. 192



Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION  
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:  
SEN. CICARELLA, 34th Dist.

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING A WORKING GROUP AND OFFICE TO  
UNCOVER FRAUD AND WASTE IN STATE GOVERNMENT.***

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

1 That (1) a working group be established to study and recommend  
2 legislation regarding preventing the waste of taxpayer dollars by  
3 establishing partnerships between state agencies and private providers  
4 to improve the delivery of services, reduce the cost of such services and  
5 foster fraud investigations to uncover fraud and waste and to submit a  
6 report with its recommendations to the joint standing committee of the  
7 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to government  
8 administration not later than December 31, 2025, and (2) the general  
9 statutes be amended to establish an autonomous office with the  
10 authority to investigate and prosecute claims of fraud or waste within  
11 state agencies or for services provided on behalf of state agencies,  
12 including referral to appropriate agencies for criminal prosecution; to  
13 review the use of taxpayer dollars in nonprofit programs across the  
14 state; and to review the use of facilities by state government and identify  
15 areas of concern.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To prevent the waste of taxpayer dollars and investigate and prosecute claims of fraud or waste within state agencies or by private providers.