

# HOUSE BILL 813

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force to Study the Impact of Expanding Credit and Noncredit Courses**  
3 **for Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study the Impact of Expanding  
5 Credit and Noncredit Courses for Students with Intellectual and Developmental  
6 Disabilities; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force;  
7 prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving certain compensation,  
8 but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task  
9 Force to study and make recommendations regarding certain matters; requiring  
10 the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and  
11 the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination  
12 of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force to Study the Impact of  
13 Expanding Credit and Noncredit Courses for Students with Intellectual and  
14 Developmental Disabilities.

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
16 MARYLAND, That:

17 (a) There is a Task Force to Study the Impact of Expanding Credit and  
18 Noncredit Courses for Students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.

19 (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



- 1                   (1)     one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President  
2 of the Senate;
- 3                   (2)     one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of  
4 the House;
- 5                   (3)     the Secretary of Higher Education, or the Secretary's designee;
- 6                   (4)     the Chancellor of the University System of Maryland, or the  
7 Chancellor's designee;
- 8                   (5)     the President of Morgan State University, or the President's  
9 designee;
- 10                  (6)     the President of St. Mary's College of Maryland, or the President's  
11 designee;
- 12                  (7)     ~~the President of Baltimore City Community College, or the~~  
13 ~~President's designee;~~
- 14                  ~~(8)~~     the Executive Director of the Maryland Association of Community  
15 Colleges, or the Executive Director's designee; ~~and~~
- 16                  (8)     the Assistant State Superintendent for Rehabilitation Services, or  
17 the Assistant State Superintendent's designee;
- 18                  (9)     the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Disabilities, or the  
19 Secretary's designee;
- 20                  (10)    the Director of the Developmental Disabilities Administration, or  
21 the Director's designee;
- 22                  (11)    the Chair of the Maryland Commission on Disabilities, or the  
23 Chair's designee; and
- 24                  ~~(9)~~ (12)    the following members, appointed by the Governor:
- 25                               (i)     two individuals with an intellectual or a developmental  
26 disability;
- 27                               (ii)    one employer of individuals with intellectual or  
28 developmental disabilities; and
- 29                               ~~(ii)~~ (iii)    three representatives of organizations that represent  
30 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

1 (c) The Governor shall designate the chair of the Task Force.

2 (d) The Maryland Higher Education Commission shall provide staff for the  
3 Task Force.

4 (e) A member of the Task Force:

5 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

6 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard  
7 State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

8 (f) The Task Force shall:

9 (1) study the impact of credit and expanding the availability of credit  
10 and noncredit course offerings for students with intellectual and developmental  
11 disabilities at public institutions of higher education in the State, including costs,  
12 distance learning options, pathways to meaningful credentials or gainful employment,  
13 as defined in regulations adopted under Title IV of the federal Higher Education Act,  
14 barriers, and logistics; and

15 (2) make recommendations regarding the expansion of credit and  
16 noncredit course offerings for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities  
17 at public institutions of higher education in the State.

18 (g) On or before January 1, 2014, the Task Force shall report its findings and  
19 recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State  
20 Government Article, the General Assembly.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
22 July 1, 2013. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30,  
23 2014, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be  
24 abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.