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BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

<u>AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 455</u> (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "Senator Reilly" and substitute "<u>Senators</u> <u>Reilly, Conway, Dyson, Ferguson, Montgomery, and Rosapepe</u>"; strike beginning with "authorizing" in line 5 down through "available" in line 7 and substitute "<u>requiring a certain administrator to verify that certain youth qualify as certain students under a certain federal act</u>"; and in line 7, after "to" insert "<u>a</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 21, strike "**1**."; and strike beginning with the semicolon in line 22 down through the colon in line 24 and substitute "<u>.</u>

(B) WHEN DETERMINING WHETHER A YOUTH IS AN UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH, A FINANCIAL AID ADMINISTRATOR SHALL VERIFY THAT THE YOUTH QUALIFIES AS AN INDEPENDENT STUDENT UNDER THE FEDERAL COLLEGE COST REDUCTION AND ACCESS ACT, 20 U.S.C. § 1087VV(D)(1)(H).".

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 25 on page 2 through line 7 on page 3, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, after line 32, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) on or before June 30, 2017, each public institution of higher education in the State shall report to the Maryland Higher Education Commission regarding the number of unaccompanied homeless youth that receive a tuition exemption under §

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<u>15-106.1 of the Education Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, in the preceding</u> <u>3 years; and</u>

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(b) on or before September 1, 2017, the Maryland Higher Education Commission shall report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee, the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the House Ways and Means Committee regarding the information collected under subsection (a) of this section.";

and in line 33, strike "2." and substitute "<u>3.</u>".