

HOUSE BILL 784

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By: **Delegate McDonough**

Introduced and read first time: February 13, 2015

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Harford Community College – Requirements to Propose Tuition Increase**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the President of Harford Community College to take certain
4 actions before proposing an increase in tuition at Harford Community College,
5 including holding a certain number of public meetings and posting a certain report
6 on the College’s Web site; requiring certain actions to occur before the Board of
7 Trustees of Harford Community College votes on a budget that includes a certain
8 tuition increase; and generally relating to requirements to propose tuition increases
9 at Harford Community College.

10 BY adding to

11 Article – Education

12 Section 16–408.1

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
16 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article – Education**

18 **16–408.1.**

19 **(A) BEFORE THE PRESIDENT OF HARFORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
20 **PROPOSES AN INCREASE OF TUITION OVER THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR TO THE**
21 **BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARFORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE, THE PRESIDENT**
22 **SHALL:**

23 **(1) HOLD TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS IN TWO DIFFERENT LOCATIONS**
24 **THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY; AND**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(2) RELEASE A REPORT AND MAKE THE REPORT AVAILABLE ON THE**
2 **HARFORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE WEB SITE THAT STATES THE REASONS AND**
3 **FINANCIAL JUSTIFICATION FOR THE PROPOSED INCREASE IN TUITION.**

4 **(B) THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION MUST**
5 **BE MET BEFORE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HARFORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE**
6 **TAKES A FINAL VOTE ON A HARFORD COMMUNITY COLLEGE BUDGET THAT**
7 **INCLUDES AN INCREASE IN TUITION OVER THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR.**

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
9 October 1, 2015.