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<u>AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 70</u> (First Reading File Bill – Committee Reprint)

On page 114, under:

Heading:	HEADQUARTERS
Program:	R00A01.04
Entitled:	Division of Accountability and Assessment

On page 114, after line 34, insert:

"Further provided that \$34,000,000 of this appropriation made for the purpose of State assessments may only be expended for the administration of the Smarter Balanced Assessments in lieu of the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers Assessment in fiscal 2016. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Smarter Balanced Assessment should be administered by the Maryland State Department of Education as an interim assessment while the Governor establishes a State commission to oversee transition to a Maryland-specific State assessment system. Funds not expended for this restricted purpose may not be transferred by budget amendment or otherwise to any other purpose and shall revert to the General Fund.".