HOUSE BILL 115

ENROLLED BILL
— Ways and Means/Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs —

Introduced by Delegates Reznik, Barkley, Barve, Brooks, Ebersole, Glenn, Jalisi, Kipke, Lam, McKay, Pena-Melnyk, and K. Young

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of __________ at ______________________ o’clock, ______M.

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Speaker.

CHAPTER ______

1 AN ACT concerning

Education – Robotics Grant Program – Establishment

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Robotics Grant Program; providing for the purpose of
the Program; establishing eligibility requirements for the Program; requiring the
State Department of Education to implement and administer the Program; requiring the
Governor to include a certain appropriation to the Program in the State budget;
authorizing the Department to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to
the Robotics Grant Program.

9 BY adding to
10 Article – Education
11 Section 7–121
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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.
Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.
SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Education

7–121.

(A) (1) THERE IS A ROBOTICS GRANT PROGRAM IN THE STATE.

(2) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO
PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND NONPROFIT ROBOTICS CLUBS IN THE STATE TO SUPPORT AND
EXPAND EXISTING ROBOTICS PROGRAMS AND TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF
ROBOTICS PROGRAMS IN THE STATE.

(B) (1) A SCHOOL IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A GRANT UNDER THIS
SECTION IF THE SCHOOL:

(1) HAS IS PROPOSING A NEW ROBOTICS PROGRAM OR CLUB OR HAS
AN EXISTING ROBOTICS PROGRAM OR CLUB;

(2) IS ASSOCIATED WITH AN EXISTING NONPROFIT ROBOTICS
CLUB IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A GRANT UNDER THIS SECTION IF THE NONPROFIT
ROBOTICS CLUB IS ASSOCIATED WITH A PUBLIC SCHOOL.

(C) THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE STATE BUDGET AN ANNUAL
APPROPRIATION OF AT LEAST $500,000 $250,000 TO THE PROGRAM.

(D) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL IMPLEMENT AND ADMINISTER THE
PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

(E) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE
REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
1, 2016.