SENATE BILL 378

P4 6lr0147 **CF HB 454** By: The President (By Request - Administration) Introduced and read first time: January 28, 2016 Assigned to: Budget and Taxation Committee Report: Favorable with amendments Senate action: Adopted Read second time: March 8, 2016 CHAPTER AN ACT concerning State Employees - Merit Increases in Salary FOR the purpose of excluding certain State employees from a certain prohibition against certain merit increases in salary; and generally relating to merit increases in salary for certain State employees. BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Chapter 489 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015 Section 7(a) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: Chapter 489 of the Acts of 2015 SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law: (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, State employees employed by any entity, including the University System of Maryland, Morgan State University, and St. Mary's College of Maryland, may not receive merit increases in fiscal year 2016.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

This subsection does not affect:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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



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3 4	System of Maryla	(ii) and, Mo	Increases necessary for the retention of faculty in the University rgan State University, or St. Mary's College of Maryland;
5 6 7	negotiated with Transportation A		Increased payments under a collective bargaining agreement credited representative in accordance with § 7–601 of the [or]
8 9 10 11	(iv) State employees represented by the State Law Enforcement Officers Labor Alliance who are subject to a step increase effective April 1, 2016, in accordance with and consistent with a collective bargaining agreement negotiated with the State; or		
12		(v)	Operationally critical staff.
13 14	SECTION <u>June</u> 1, 2016.	2. AND	BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
	Approved:		
			Governor.
			President of the Senate.
			Speaker of the House of Delegates.