Chapter 330

(Senate Bill 521)

AN ACT concerning

Community Colleges – Small Community Colleges – Funding

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of the unrestricted grant provided to small community colleges; and generally relating to funding for community colleges.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education Section 16–305(f) Annotated Code of Maryland (2014 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

Article – Education

16 - 305.

(f) (1) [Beginning in fiscal year 2003, unrestricted] **UNRESTRICTED** grants in the amounts specified in [paragraphs (2) and (3) of] this subsection shall be distributed to the board of each small community college.

(2) Subject to paragraph [(4)] (5) of this subsection, [the] FOR FISCAL YEARS 2003 THROUGH 2018, unrestricted grants shall be distributed as follows:

- (i) \$500,000 to Allegany College of Maryland;
- (ii) \$500,000 to Garrett College;
- (iii) \$500,000 to Hagerstown Community College;
- (iv) \$250,000 to Carroll Community College;
- (v) \$250,000 to Cecil Community College;
- (vi) \$250,000 to Chesapeake College; and
- (vii) \$250,000 to Wor–Wic Community College.

(3) BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2019 AND FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (5) OF THIS SUBSECTION, UNRESTRICTED GRANTS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:

(I) \$830,000 <u>\$1,071,686</u> *\$851,300* TO ALLEGANY COLLEGE OF MARYLAND;

(II) \$830,000 \$1,071,686 \$851,300 TO GARRETT COLLEGE;

(III) \$830,000 <u>\$1,071,686</u> <u>\$851,300</u> to Hagerstown Community College;

(IV) \$\$30,000 \$647,986 \$851,300 TO CARROLL COMMUNITY
COLLEGE;
(V) \$\$30,000 \$647,986 \$851,300 TO CECIL COMMUNITY
COLLEGE;

(VI) **\$830,000 <u>\$647,986</u>** *\$851,300* TO CHESAPEAKE COLLEGE;

AND

(VII) **\$830,000 <u>\$647,986</u> <u>\$851,300</u>** TO WOR–WIC COMMUNITY

COLLEGE.

[(3)] (4) [In] BEGINNING IN FISCAL YEAR 2003 AND IN EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, IN addition to the amounts specified in [paragraph (2)] PARAGRAPH (2) OR (3) of this subsection, the boards of Allegany College of Maryland and Garrett College shall receive the following unrestricted grants:

- (i) \$360,000 to Allegany College of Maryland; and
- (ii) \$240,000 to Garrett College.

[(4)] (5) The grant amounts specified in [paragraph (2)] PARAGRAPH (2) OR (3) of this subsection shall increase in fiscal year 2004 and each fiscal year thereafter by the same percentage as the percentage increase in funding per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year public institutions of higher education in the State, as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in that fiscal year.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2017.

Approved by the Governor, April 18, 2017.