

HOUSE BILL 197

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – State Reimbursement for County Board Payments for Exams for**
3 **Eligible Students**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State to reimburse a county board for certain payments
5 on a certain application for reimbursement; requiring a county board to pay up to a
6 certain amount for one certain exam per school year for certain students; requiring
7 the State Board of Education to adopt certain regulations; defining a certain term;
8 and generally relating to payment of and reimbursement for certain exam fees.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Education
11 Section 7–203.1
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Education**

17 7–203.1.

18 (a) (1) **(I)** For fiscal years 2003 and 2004, the Department shall distribute
19 grants to qualified distressed counties, as defined in § 1–101 of the Economic Development

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.



1 Article, for the administration of the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test to 10th grade
2 students.

3 [(2)] (II) For fiscal year 2005 and each subsequent fiscal year, the
4 Department shall distribute grants to each county for the administration of the Preliminary
5 Scholastic Aptitude Test to 10th grade students.

6 [(b)] (2) Subject to the availability of funding in the State budget, the amount of
7 each county's grant shall be in an amount sufficient for the administration of the test to all
8 10th grade students in the county.

9 (B) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "STUDENT" MEANS A STUDENT WHO IS
10 ENROLLED IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE STATE AND IS ELIGIBLE FOR ~~THE~~
11 ~~MARYLAND CHILDREN'S HEALTH PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 15, SUBTITLE 3 OF THE~~
12 ~~HEALTH GENERAL ARTICLE~~ FREE OR REDUCED PRICED MEALS OR AN
13 ALTERNATIVE STANDARD DEVELOPED BY THE STATE BOARD FOR SCHOOLS IN
14 COUNTIES THAT PARTICIPATE IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
15 AGRICULTURE COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION.

16 (2) SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE
17 STATE SHALL REIMBURSE A COUNTY BOARD FOR THE COST OF ONE EXAM PER
18 SCHOOL YEAR FOR A STUDENT WHO TAKES ~~ONE OF THE FOLLOWING EXAMS:~~

19 ~~(I) ADVANCED PLACEMENT;~~

20 ~~(II) INDUSTRY AN INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION FOR A CAREER~~
21 ~~AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION PROGRAM OF STUDY; OR~~

22 ~~(III) INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE.~~

23 (3) (I) A COUNTY BOARD SHALL PAY UP TO \$300 TOWARDS THE
24 EXAM FEE FOR A STUDENT WHO TAKES ~~ONE OF THE EXAMS~~ AN EXAM UNDER
25 PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

26 (II) A COUNTY BOARD IS NOT REQUIRED TO PAY FOR MORE
27 THAN ONE EXAM PER SCHOOL YEAR PER STUDENT.

28 (4) ON APPLICATION BY A COUNTY BOARD TO THE STATE BOARD,
29 THE STATE SHALL PROVIDE A GRANT TO THE COUNTY BOARD IN AN AMOUNT
30 NECESSARY TO REIMBURSE A COUNTY BOARD FOR PAYMENTS MADE UNDER
31 PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

32 (5) THE STATE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT
33 THIS SUBSECTION, INCLUDING PROCEDURES FOR SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION
34 FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
2 1, 2018.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.