

# SENATE BILL 630

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By: **Senator Ferguson**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Adult High School Pilot Program – Funding and Grants**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Adult High School Pilot Program to provide grants to  
4 certain pilots; requiring the Governor, for certain fiscal years, to include a certain  
5 appropriation in the annual budget bill for the Program; requiring the Program to  
6 use certain funds to provide a certain grant in a certain fiscal year; and generally  
7 relating to funding for and grants for the Adult High School Pilot Program.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

9 Article – Education

10 Section 9.7–101(a) through (d)

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

14 Article – Education

15 Section 9.7–107

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Education**

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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 9.7–101.

2 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

3 (b) “Operator” means a private nonprofit entity that establishes a pilot under the  
4 Program.

5 (c) “Pilot” means an adult high school established by an operator under the  
6 Program.

7 (d) “Program” means the Adult High School Pilot Program.

8 9.7–107.

9 (A) **THE PROGRAM MAY PROVIDE GRANTS TO ~~A PILOT~~ PILOTS APPROVED**  
10 **UNDER AND OPERATING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE.**

11 (B) (1) **FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE**  
12 **ANNUAL BUDGET BILL ~~AN A FEDERAL FUND OR A GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION~~**  
13 **OF \$250,000 TO THE PROGRAM.**

14 (2) **FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER,**  
15 **THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL ~~AN A FEDERAL FUND~~**  
16 **OR A GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO THE PROGRAM \$250,000 FOR**  
17 **EACH PILOT APPROVED AND OPERATING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS TITLE.**

18 (C) The operator or Advisory Board of a pilot may apply for and accept donations,  
19 grants, or other financial assistance from a governmental entity or any nonprofit or other  
20 private organization.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Adult High School Pilot  
22 Program established under Title 9.7 of the Education Article shall use the funds  
23 appropriated to the Program under § 9.7–107(b)(1) of the Education Article, as enacted by  
24 Section 1 of this Act, to provide a \$250,000 grant in fiscal year 2022 to a pilot that:

25 (1) has been approved for the Program by the State Department of  
26 Education and the Maryland Department of Labor prior to January 1, 2021; and

27 (2) proposes to provide instruction at a physical building located in the  
28 Cherry Hill neighborhood of Baltimore City.

29 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June  
30 1, 2021.