

CF HB 978

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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Community Colleges - State Aid - Hold Harmless Component - Eligibility - Calculation

3 FOR the purpose of providing that a board of community college trustees is eligible for a
4 hold harmless component of State aid under certain circumstances; providing that
5 the amount of the hold harmless component shall be determined by performing a
6 certain calculation; and generally relating to the hold harmless component of State
7 aid for boards of community college trustees.

8 BY renumbering

9 Article - Education
10 Section 16-305(a)(7) through (11), respectively
11 to be Section 16-305(a)(8) through (12), respectively
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1997 Replacement Volume)

14 BY adding to

15 Article - Education
16 Section 16-305(a)(7)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (1997 Replacement Volume)

19 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

20 Article - Education
21 Section 16-305(b)(3)
22 Annotated Code of Maryland
23 (1997 Replacement Volume)

24 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

25 Article - Education
26 Section 16-305(b)(7)
27 Annotated Code of Maryland
28 (1997 Replacement Volume)

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1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
2 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 16-305(a)(7) through (11), respectively, of Article -
3 Education of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s)
4 16-305(a)(8) through (12), respectively.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland
6 read as follows:

7 **Article - Education**

8 16-305.

9 (a) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

10 (7) "LARGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE" MEANS ANY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
11 WITH FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT THAT IS GREATER THAN 200% OF THE
12 STATEWIDE MEDIAN FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT.

13 (b) (3) Subject to subsection (c) of this section, the total State share for each
14 board shall be the sum of:

15 (i) The fixed costs component;

16 (ii) The marginal costs component;

17 (iii) The size factor component; and

18 (iv) A hold harmless component.

19 (7) (i) A board shall be eligible for a hold harmless component beginning
20 in Fiscal Year 1998 if [the sum of the board's fixed costs, marginal costs, and size factor
21 components for the fiscal year is less than the board's total State share in the prior fiscal
22 year] THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE OF THE DIRECT GRANT TO THE BOARD FOR THE
23 FISCAL YEAR COMPARED TO THE BOARD'S TOTAL STATE SHARE FOR THE PRIOR
24 FISCAL YEAR IS LESS THAN THE SMALLEST SIMILARLY CALCULATED PERCENTAGE
25 INCREASE OF THE DIRECT GRANT FOR ANY OF THE LARGE COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

26 (ii) The hold harmless component amount shall be determined by
27 [subtracting the sum of an eligible board's fixed costs, marginal costs, and size factor
28 components for the fiscal year from the board's total State share for the prior fiscal year]:

29 1. CALCULATING THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE FOR EACH
30 BOARD BY SUBTRACTING THE CURRENT YEAR'S DIRECT GRANT FROM THE
31 PREVIOUS YEAR'S TOTAL STATE SHARE AND DIVIDING BY THE PREVIOUS YEAR'S
32 TOTAL STATE SHARE;

33 2. INCREASING THE BOARD'S PREVIOUS YEAR'S TOTAL
34 STATE SHARE BY THE SMALLEST PERCENTAGE INCREASE CALCULATED IN ITEM 1
35 OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH FOR ANY LARGE COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND

36 3. SUBTRACTING THE CURRENT YEAR'S DIRECT GRANT
37 FROM THE AMOUNT CALCULATED IN ITEM 2 OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH.

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1 (III) A BOARD MAY NOT RECEIVE LESS IN ANY FISCAL YEAR THAN
2 THE BOARD'S TOTAL STATE SHARE FOR THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR.

3 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
4 July 1, 1997.