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By: **Senators Hoffman, Lawlah, Neall, Kasemeyer, Hogan, Middleton, and  
Van Hollen**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education - Funding**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the requirements for the funding of higher education;  
4 repealing specific minimum funding amounts for specified public senior  
5 institutions of higher education; requiring the Governor to provide funding for  
6 higher education, beginning in a certain fiscal year, that is equal to or greater  
7 than the amount appropriated in the prior year; revising the goal for the funding  
8 of higher education so that the goal is based on certain percentages of total  
9 General Fund revenues and applies to all higher education; defining a certain  
10 term; and generally relating to the funding of higher education.

11 BY repealing  
12 Article - Education  
13 Section 11-105(h)(5)  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

16 BY adding to  
17 Article - Education  
18 Section 11-105(h)(5)  
19 Annotated Code of Maryland  
20 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

23 **Article - Education**

24 11-105.

25 (h) [(5) (i) The Governor shall include in the annual budget submission for  
26 Fiscal Year 1990 an amount of General Fund State support for each public senior  
27 higher education institution equal to at least the following amounts:

1	University of Maryland, College Park.....	\$217,209,721
2	University of Maryland, Baltimore .....	110,217,600
3	University of Maryland Eastern Shore Campus.....	13,138,500
4	University of Maryland Baltimore County .....	44,462,235
5	Bowie State University.....	13,418,830
6	Coppin State College.....	12,269,200
7	Frostburg State University.....	18,867,480
8	Salisbury State University .....	18,490,340
9	Towson University.....	49,163,579
10	University of Baltimore.....	17,701,280
11	St. Mary's College of Maryland .....	8,521,092
12	Morgan State University.....	26,844,350

13 (ii) For Fiscal Year 1991 and each fiscal year thereafter, it is the  
 14 goal of the State that public senior higher education institutions be funded at a level  
 15 at least equal to 100 percent of the funding guideline set by the Commission.]

16 (5) (I) IN THIS PARAGRAPH, "HIGHER EDUCATION" MEANS:

- 17 1. THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND;
- 18 2. MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY;
- 19 3. ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND;
- 20 4. ALL FUNDING FOR THE MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION
- 21 COMMISSION, INCLUDING THE FUNDING OF:
  - 22 A. THE JOSEPH A. SELLINGER PROGRAM;
  - 23 B. THE SENATOR JOHN A. CADE FUNDING FORMULA;
  - 24 C. FRINGE BENEFITS PROVIDED UNDER AID TO COMMUNITY
  - 25 COLLEGES; AND
  - 26 D. ALL SCHOLARSHIP AND GRANT PROGRAMS
  - 27 ADMINISTERED BY THE COMMISSION; AND
  - 28 5. BALTIMORE CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

1 (II) THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET  
2 SUBMISSION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, AN AMOUNT OF  
3 GENERAL FUND STATE SUPPORT FOR HIGHER EDUCATION EQUAL TO OR GREATER  
4 THAN THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED IN THE PRIOR YEAR.

5 (III) IT IS THE GOAL OF THE STATE THAT GENERAL FUND SUPPORT  
6 FOR HIGHER EDUCATION BE FUNDED ANNUALLY IN AMOUNTS THAT ARE NO LESS  
7 THAN THE FOLLOWING PERCENTAGES OF TOTAL GENERAL FUND STATE REVENUES:

- 8 1. 12 PERCENT IN FISCAL YEAR 2000;
- 9 2. 13 2/3 PERCENT IN FISCAL YEAR 2001;
- 10 3. 15 PERCENT IN FISCAL YEAR 2002;
- 11 4. 16 1/3 PERCENT IN FISCAL YEAR 2003; AND
- 12 5. 17 PERCENT IN FISCAL YEAR 2004.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
14 October 1, 1998.