BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 311

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with "adding" in line 3 down through "changes" in line 8 and substitute "providing that certain unrestricted grants shall be distributed to certain small community colleges in a certain fiscal year; specifying the grant amounts; providing that the grant amounts shall increase in subsequent fiscal years depending on the increase in the amount of certain funding to certain public institutions of higher education; repealing a certain termination provision; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to periodically review the unrestricted grants authorized by this Act and make a certain determination; providing for a delayed effective date"; in line 12, strike "16-305(b)(6)" and substitute "16-305(b)(1)"; and strike in its entirety line 17 and substitute "Section 16-305(b)(10) and (f)".

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 1 through 5, inclusive, and substitute:

"BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 570 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1998 Section 3".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 10 on page 2 through line 16 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

- "(b) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
 - (10) "Small community college" means:
 - (i) Allegany College of Maryland;

- (ii) Garrett Community College;
- (iii) Hagerstown [Junior] COMMUNITY College;
- (iv) Carroll Community College;
- (v) Cecil Community College;
- (vi) Chesapeake College; or
- (vii) Wor-Wic Community College.
- (f) Beginning in fiscal year [1999] 2003, [an] unrestricted [grant] GRANTS in the [amount] AMOUNTS [provided] SPECIFIED in paragraph (2) of this subsection shall be distributed to the board of each small community college.
- (2) [Except as otherwise provided by law, the total amount of the grant shall be \$2,000,000 annually to be distributed as follows] SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, UNRESTRICTED GRANTS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:
 - (i) [\$400,000] \$500,000 to Allegany College of Maryland;
 - (ii) [\$400,000] \$500,000 to Garrett Community College;
 - (iii) [\$400,000] \$500,000 to Hagerstown [Junior] COMMUNITY College;
 - (iv) [\$200,000] \$250,000 to Carroll Community College;
 - (v) [\$200,000] \$250,000 to Cecil Community College;
 - (vi) [\$200,000] \$250,000 to Chesapeake College; and
 - (vii) [\$200,000] \$250,000 to Wor-Wic Community College.
- (3) THE GRANT AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH (2) 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

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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.

Chapter 570 of the Acts of 1998

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1998. [It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of June 30, 2002, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Maryland Higher Education Commission shall periodically review the unrestricted grants authorized under this Act to determine whether the unrestricted grants are appropriate in light of: (i) the amount of funding that each community college receives under the John A. Cade Funding Formula established under § 16-305 of the Education Article; (ii) the amount of funding that each community college receives from the county; (iii) the amount of funding that each community college receives from any other source, including tuition and fees; (iv) the number of full-time equivalent students attending the community college; and (v) any other relevant factor, as determined by the Commission.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2002.".