

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1188

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, strike beginning with “requiring” in line 2 down through “actions;” in line 4; strike beginning with “prohibiting” in line 7 down through “Maryland;” in line 9; in line 21, after “year;” insert “establishing a commission to study the coordination, funding, educational delivery, and State commitment to higher education in the State; providing for the membership and appointment of the chairman of the commission; requiring the commission to solicit the views of certain groups in its deliberations; requiring the commission to engage certain services to conduct a certain study of funding needs for the University System of Maryland; requiring the commission to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly; providing for the staffing of the commission;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 19, strike “(A)”; and strike in their entirety lines 25 through 30, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On pages 3 and 4, strike beginning with “(A)” in line 35 on page 3 down through “(1)” in line 10 on page 4 and substitute “(A)”; in line 14, strike “(2)” and substitute “(B)”; and in line 15, strike “PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION” and substitute “SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, in line 13, after “STUDENT” insert “, UNLESS THE BOARD FINDS THAT THERE IS A COMPELLING REASON TO SET THE TUITION AT A LOWER RATE”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 5, in line 18, strike “THROUGH 2008” and substitute “AND 2007”; and in line 26, strike “2008” and substitute “2007”.

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On page 6, in lines 4 and 36, in each instance, strike “2007” and substitute “2006”; and in lines 21 and 27, in each instance, strike “THROUGH 2008” and substitute “AND 2007”.

On page 7, in line 19, strike “2008” and substitute “2007”.

On page 10, in line 15, strike “2008” and substitute “2007”.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 10, in line 22, strike “12.86%” and substitute “10%”.

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 13, after line 20, insert:

“SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The General Assembly and Governor shall establish a commission to study the coordination, funding, educational delivery, and State commitment to higher education in Maryland.

(b) The commission shall consider:

(1) Methods to provide a combined level of State funding support and tuition revenue to enable Maryland’s public institutions of higher education to meet the goals of the Maryland Charter for Higher Education and compete with peer institutions across the country; and

(2) Other issues related to State funding and tuition revenue for public institutions of higher education.

(c) The commission shall be composed of:

(1) Four members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(2) Four members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

(3) The Secretary of Higher Education;

- (4) The President of the University of Maryland, College Park or a designee of the President;
- (5) The President of the University of Maryland University College or a designee of the President;
- (6) The President of the University of Maryland, Baltimore or a designee of the President;
- (7) The President of Morgan State University or a designee of the President;
- (8) The President of The Johns Hopkins University or a designee of the President;
- (9) One member of the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland;
- (10) The Chancellor of the University System of Maryland or a designee of the Chancellor;
- (11) Three community college presidents, appointed jointly by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House;
- (12) One representative of the Maryland Independent College and University Association; and
- (13) Two members of the public appointed by the Governor.
- (d) The chairman of the commission shall be jointly appointed by the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House.
- (e) The commission shall solicit the views of the public, the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland, the members of the boards of visitors established by the presidents

of the constituent institutions of the University System of Maryland, the members of the Maryland Higher Education Commission, and leading national experts in higher education, including the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges, and the Southern Regional Education Board.

(f) The commission shall engage the services of the Education Commission of the States to conduct a study of the current and future funding needs of the constituent institutions of the University System of Maryland to assist each institution in reaching its stated mission and goals, including a history of State funding prior to the formation of the University System of Maryland in 1988 and during the years following the formation of the System.

(g) The commission shall review options and make recommendations relating to the establishment of a consistent and stable funding mechanism to ensure accessibility while at the same time promoting policies to achieve national eminence at Maryland's public institutions of higher education.

(h) The commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly by December 1, 2005.

(i) The staff for the commission shall be provided and coordinated by the Department of Legislative Services. The Department of Budget and Management, the Maryland Higher Education Commission, and the University System of Maryland also shall assign staff to assist the commission.

(j) Notice of each meeting of the commission shall be made public by delivering a copy of the meeting notice to the Legislative Information Officer, Room B-6, Department of Legislative Services, Legislative Services Building, 90 State Circle, Annapolis, Maryland 21401-1991. The notice should be delivered no later than Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. for inclusion in the weekly Hearing Schedule.”; and in line 21, strike “10.” and substitute “11.”.