
By: **Delegates Heller and Hixson**

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education - Community Colleges - Unrestricted Grants**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain community colleges to receive additional
4 ongoing unrestricted grants; repealing the termination date of a certain Act; and
5 generally relating to unrestricted grants to community colleges.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

7 Article - Education

8 Section 16-305(f)

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

12 Chapter 350 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002

13 Section 2

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article - Education**

17 16-305.

18 (f) (1) Beginning in fiscal year 2003, unrestricted grants in the amounts
19 specified in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection shall be distributed to the board
20 of each small community college.

21 (2) Subject to paragraph (4) of this subsection, the unrestricted grants
22 shall be distributed as follows:

23 (i) \$500,000 to Allegany College of Maryland;

24 (ii) \$500,000 to Garrett [Community] College;

25 (iii) \$500,000 to Hagerstown Community College;

1 (iv) \$250,000 to Carroll Community College;

2 (v) \$250,000 to Cecil Community College;

3 (vi) \$250,000 to Chesapeake College; and

4 (vii) \$250,000 to Wor-Wic Community College.

5 (3) In addition to the amounts specified in paragraph (2) of this
6 subsection, [in fiscal years 2003, 2004, and 2005,] the boards of Allegany College of
7 Maryland and Garrett [Community] College shall receive the following unrestricted
8 grants:

9 (i) \$360,000 to Allegany College of Maryland; and

10 (ii) \$240,000 to Garrett [Community] College.

11 (4) The grant amounts specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection shall
12 increase in fiscal year 2004 and each fiscal year thereafter by the same percentage as
13 the percentage increase in funding per full-time equivalent student to the 4-year
14 public institutions of higher education in the State, as designated by the Commission
15 for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of
16 this article in that fiscal year.

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Chapter 350 of the Acts of 2002

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
19 effect July 1, 2002. [It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of
20 June 30, 2005, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall
21 be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
23 effect July 1, 2004.