HOUSE BILL 6

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By: **Delegate Ramirez** Requested: October 2, 2006

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Higher Education - Tuition Charges - Maryland High School Students

- FOR the purpose of establishing that certain individuals, other than certain nonresident individuals, shall be exempt from paying nonresident tuition at certain public institutions of higher education under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to tuition charges for certain individuals attending public institutions of higher education in the State.
- 9 BY adding to

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- 10 Article Education
- 11 Section 15–106.6
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2006 Replacement Volume)
- 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 **15–106.6.**
- 18 (A) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE, AN 19 INDIVIDUAL, OTHER THAN A STUDENT WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 8, §
- 20 1101(A)(15) OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM PAYING

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- THE NONRESIDENT TUITION RATE AT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION REGARDLESS OF RESIDENCY IF THE INDIVIDUAL:
- 3 (1) ATTENDED A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN 4 THIS STATE FOR AT LEAST 2 YEARS;
- 5 (2) GRADUATED FROM A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC SECONDARY
 6 SCHOOL IN THIS STATE OR RECEIVED THE EQUIVALENT OF A HIGH SCHOOL
 7 DIPLOMA IN THIS STATE;
- 8 (3) REGISTERS AS AN ENTERING STUDENT IN A PUBLIC 9 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS STATE NOT EARLIER THAN THE 10 2007 FALL SEMESTER;
- 11 (4) IN THE CASE OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT A PERMANENT
 12 RESIDENT, PROVIDES TO THE PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AN
 13 AFFIDAVIT STATING THAT THE INDIVIDUAL WILL FILE AN APPLICATION TO
 14 BECOME A PERMANENT RESIDENT WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE INDIVIDUAL
 15 BECOMES ELIGIBLE TO DO SO; AND
- 16 (5) Makes or has made an application to attend a public 17 Institution of higher education in this State not later than 5 years 18 After graduating from a public or nonpublic secondary school in 19 This State or receiving the equivalent of a high school diploma in 20 This State.
- 21 (B) THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS IN ACCORDANCE 22 WITH TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 1 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE TO 23 IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007.