HOUSE BILL 6

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Higher Education - Tuition Charges - Maryland High School Students

- 3 FOR the purpose of establishing that certain individuals, other than certain 4 nonresident individuals, shall be exempt from paying nonresident tuition at 5 certain public institutions of higher education under certain circumstances; 6 requiring certain individuals to provide certain documentation regarding 7 Maryland income tax withholding; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain regulations requiring the governing board of each 8 9 public institution of higher education to adopt certain policies; and generally relating to tuition charges for certain individuals attending public institutions 10 of higher education in the State. 11
- 12 BY adding to
- 13 Article Education
- 14 Section 15–106.6
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

1 (2006 Replacement Volume)

- SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 2
- MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: 3

Article – Education

5 **15–106.6.**

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- 6 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE, AN INDIVIDUAL, OTHER THAN A STUDENT WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 8, § 7 1101(A)(15) OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM PAYING 8 THE NONRESIDENT TUITION RATE AT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER 9 10 EDUCATION REGARDLESS OF RESIDENCY IF THE INDIVIDUAL:
- 11 **(1)** ATTENDED A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN 12 THIS STATE FOR AT LEAST 2 YEARS;
- 13 **(2)** GRADUATED FROM A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THIS STATE OR RECEIVED THE EQUIVALENT OF A HIGH SCHOOL 14 **DIPLOMA IN THIS STATE;** 15
- 16 **(3)** REGISTERS AS AN ENTERING STUDENT IN A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS STATE NOT EARLIER THAN THE 17 18 2007 FALL SEMESTER;
- 19 PROVIDES TO THE PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER **(4)** 20 EDUCATION DOCUMENTATION THAT THE INDIVIDUAL OR THE INDIVIDUAL'S 21 PARENT OR GUARDIAN HAS HAD MARYLAND INCOME TAX WITHHELD DURING THE YEAR PRIOR TO THE INDIVIDUAL GRADUATING FROM A PUBLIC OR 22 23 NONPUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THIS STATE;
- 24 IN THE CASE OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT A $\frac{(4)}{(5)}$ PERMANENT RESIDENT, PROVIDES TO THE PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER 25 EDUCATION AN AFFIDAVIT STATING THAT THE INDIVIDUAL WILL FILE AN 26 27 APPLICATION TO BECOME A PERMANENT RESIDENT WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE 28 INDIVIDUAL BECOMES ELIGIBLE TO DO SO; AND
- 29 MAKES OR HAS MADE AN APPLICATION TO ATTEND A $\frac{(5)}{(6)}$ PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS STATE NOT LATER THAN 5 30

- 1 **\frac{3}{2}** YEARS AFTER GRADUATING FROM A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC SECONDARY
- 2 SCHOOL IN THIS STATE OR RECEIVING THE EQUIVALENT OF A HIGH SCHOOL
- 3 DIPLOMA IN THIS STATE.
- 4 (B) THE COMMISSION <u>GOVERNING BOARD OF EACH PUBLIC</u>
- 5 <u>INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION</u> SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS IN
- 6 ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 1 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT
- 7 ARTICLE APPROPRIATE POLICIES TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS
- 8 **SECTION.**
- 9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 10 July 1, 2007.

Approved:	
	Governor.
	Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.