

HOUSE BILL 1248

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By: **Chair, Appropriations Committee (By Request – Departmental – College Savings Plans of Maryland)**

Introduced and read first time: February 21, 2007

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Prepaid College Trust – Refunds – Early Graduation from College**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the circumstances under which certain refunds are
4 available from the Maryland Prepaid College Trust; and generally relating to
5 the Maryland Prepaid College Trust.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article – Education
8 Section 18–1910(a)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2006 Replacement Volume)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Education
13 Section 18–1910(b)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2006 Replacement Volume)

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

18 **Article – Education**

19 18–1910.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) (1) The Board shall issue refunds as specified in this section.

2 (2) Unless authorized by the Board or under subsection (b) of this
3 section, a refund may not exceed the amount paid into the Trust by the account holder.

4 (b) A refund equal to the same benefits as provided by the prepaid contract,
5 minus any amount paid out of the funds of the Trust on behalf of the qualified
6 beneficiary and for reasonable administrative charges, shall be made if the
7 beneficiary:

8 (1) [Graduates early from college or is] **IS** awarded a scholarship or
9 tuition remission that covers benefits provided under the prepaid contract; or

10 (2) Dies or suffers from a disability which prevents the beneficiary
11 from attending an institution of higher education within the time allowed by this
12 subtitle.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 July 1, 2007.