

HOUSE BILL 1248

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

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

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Committee Report: Favorable

House action: Adopted

Read second time: March 21, 2007

CHAPTER _____

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)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

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



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

3 **Article - Education**

4 18-1910.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.