

HOUSE BILL 1274

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Introduced and read first time: February 22, 2007

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Collegiate Student Legislature – Maryland Student Legislature**

3 FOR the purpose of designating the Maryland Student Legislature as the State
4 collegiate student legislature; providing that the designation of the Maryland
5 Student Legislature as the State collegiate student legislature does not
6 establish a new State agency or educational institution, create any liability for
7 the State, or imply that the State sanctions any activity or philosophy
8 undertaken or adopted by the Maryland Student Legislature; and generally
9 relating to the designation of the Maryland Student Legislature as the State
10 collegiate student legislature.

11 BY adding to

12 Article – State Government

13 Section 13–320

14 Annotated Code of Maryland

15 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

16 Preamble

17 WHEREAS, All Marylanders should participate in civic activity; and

18 WHEREAS, Civic participation should be encouraged, particularly among
19 young adults; and

20 WHEREAS, College students who participate in civic activities are likely to
21 continue to be involved in civic affairs for the rest of their lives; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 WHEREAS, Government simulations provide students with the knowledge and
2 skills to participate in the civic process; and

3 WHEREAS, The Maryland Student Legislature has provided these
4 opportunities to Maryland college students since 1989; and

5 WHEREAS, The Maryland Student Legislature is a simulation of State
6 government;

7 WHEREAS, The Maryland Student Legislature holds an annual session each
8 Spring in the chambers of the State House; and

9 WHEREAS, Students from colleges and universities across Maryland benefit
10 from their participation in the Maryland Student Legislature; and

11 WHEREAS, Maryland Student Legislature alumni have excelled in business,
12 law, politics, and other fields; and

13 WHEREAS, Designating the Maryland Student Legislature as the State
14 collegiate student legislature will demonstrate the commitment of the State to
15 encouraging college students to engage in civic participation; now, therefore,

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

18 **Article – State Government**

19 **13-320.**

20 **(A) THE MARYLAND STUDENT LEGISLATURE IS THE STATE**
21 **COLLEGIATE STUDENT LEGISLATURE.**

22 **(B) THE DESIGNATION IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT:**

23 **(1) ESTABLISH A NEW STATE AGENCY OR EDUCATIONAL**
24 **INSTITUTION;**

25 **(2) CREATE ANY LIABILITY FOR THE STATE; OR**

1 **(3) IMPLY THAT THE STATE SANCTIONS ANY ACTIVITY OR**
2 **PHILOSOPHY UNDERTAKEN OR ADOPTED BY THE MARYLAND STUDENT**
3 **LEGISLATURE.**

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 October 1, 2007.