

HOUSE BILL 1421

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By: **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request - Departmental - Baltimore City Community College)**

Rules suspended

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City Community College - English for Speakers of Other**
3 **Languages Grant**

4 FOR the purpose of increasing the maximum amount of grants that may be used to
5 provide instruction and services to students enrolled in an English for Speakers
6 of Other Languages program at Baltimore City Community College.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Education
9 Section 16-508
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2006 Replacement Volume)

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

14 **Article - Education**

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 16-508.

2 (a) (1) Beginning with fiscal year 1996, the Governor shall include in the
3 annual budget submission a General Fund appropriation for Baltimore City
4 Community College in the amount provided in subsection (b) of this section to provide
5 instruction and services to students enrolled in an English for Speakers of Other
6 Languages (“ESOL”) program.

7 (2) To qualify for a grant under this section, each participant in the
8 program shall be a student:

9 (i) Born outside of the United States or whose native language
10 is not English;

11 (ii) Who comes from an environment where a language other
12 than English is dominant; or

13 (iii) Who is an American Indian or Alaskan native and comes
14 from an environment where a language other than English has had a significant
15 impact on the student’s level of English language proficiency.

16 (b) (1) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) of this subsection, the
17 amount of the grant shall be \$800 times the number of qualified full-time equivalent
18 students who are enrolled in a Baltimore City Community College ESOL program, as
19 certified by the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

20 (2) The total amount of the grant under this subsection may not
21 exceed [\$500,000] **\$1,000,000** for any fiscal year.

22 (c) Baltimore City Community College may not transfer State funds received
23 under this subsection to any other program or category.

24 (d) Subject to the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, for any fiscal
25 year in which the State appropriation is insufficient to fully fund all grants eligible
26 under this section, the Governor shall include in the budget bill for the following fiscal
27 year a deficiency appropriation to fund all unfunded grants.

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