By: Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request - Departmental - Higher Education Commission)
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## A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

## Institutions of Postsecondary Education - Certificate of Approval

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Higher Education Commission to require a certain fee from certain institutions of postsecondary education applying for certain certificates of approval; and generally relating to the approval of institutions of postsecondary education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - Education
Section 11-105(o)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article - Education
Section 11-202(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)
SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Education
11-105.
(o) (1) THE COMMISSION MAY REQUIRE AN APPLICATION FEE FROM AN INSTITUTION OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION SEEKING CERTIFICATION TO OPERATE IN THE STATE.
(2) Subject to the provisions of § 11-203 of this title, the Commission may require bonds or other financial guaranties from institutions of postsecondary education seeking certification or recertification to operate in the State.

11-202.
(a) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, an institution of postsecondary education may not commence or continue to operate, do business, or function without a certificate of approval from the Commission.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2008.

