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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

House Joint Resolution 4      (Delegate Glenn, *et al.*)

Rules and Executive Nominations

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**Professional Athletes Mentoring Title I Students**

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This resolution urges the State's professional athletics community to mentor students enrolled in the federal Title I program by participating in program activities, spending time listening to the students' everyday concerns and priorities, attending students' classes or extracurricular activities, and encouraging students to seek out opportunities for upward mobility.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Compliance with this joint resolution would have no effect on State finances.

**Local Effect:** None.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law/Background:** Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, reauthorized as the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, provides local educational agencies with additional funds to improve instruction in high-poverty schools and ensure that low-income children have the same opportunity as other children to meet challenging State academic standards. In fiscal 2008, Maryland received \$204.4 million in Title I funds, of which at least 97% will be sub-granted to local school systems.

Four major league professional sports teams play their home games in Maryland: the Baltimore Orioles (baseball), the Baltimore Ravens (football), the Washington Redskins (football), and the Baltimore Blast (indoor soccer).

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## **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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