

Chapter 327

(Senate Bill 967)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Higher Education Commission – Student Transfer Advisory Committee

FOR the purpose of establishing a Student Transfer Advisory Committee; providing for the composition, officers, and staffing of the Committee; prohibiting a member of the Committee from receiving compensation, but entitling a member to reimbursement for certain expenses; providing for the duties of the Committee; requiring the Committee to meet at least a certain number of times per year; requiring the Committee to submit a certain report on its findings and recommendations on or before certain dates; providing for the termination of the Committee; and generally relating to the Student Transfer Advisory Committee.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 11–106.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

Article – Education

11–106.1.

(A) THERE IS A STUDENT TRANSFER ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

(B) THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

(1) THE SECRETARY OF HIGHER EDUCATION, OR THE SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;

(2) THE CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND, OR THE CHANCELLOR'S DESIGNEE;

(3) THE PRESIDENT OF ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND, OR THE PRESIDENT'S DESIGNEE;

(4) THE PRESIDENT OF MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, OR THE PRESIDENT'S DESIGNEE;

(5) THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES, OR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE;

(6) THE PRESIDENT OF THE MARYLAND INDEPENDENT COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION, OR THE PRESIDENT'S DESIGNEE;

(7) THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR THE DIVISION OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND ADULT LEARNING IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION, OR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S DESIGNEE;

(8) THE ASSISTANT STATE SUPERINTENDENT FOR CAREER AND COLLEGE READINESS IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OR THE ASSISTANT STATE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESIGNEE;

(9) A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL, APPOINTED BY THE SECRETARY;

(10) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOLS, APPOINTED BY THE SECRETARY; AND

(11) A REPRESENTATIVE FROM A FOR-PROFIT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT OPERATES IN THE STATE, APPOINTED BY THE SECRETARY.

(C) THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE MAY ELECT A CHAIR AND OTHER OFFICERS OF THE COMMITTEE, AS NEEDED.

(D) THE COMMISSION SHALL PROVIDE STAFF FOR THE COMMITTEE.

(E) A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE:

(1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION AS A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE; BUT

(2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

(F) THE COMMITTEE SHALL REVIEW AND ANALYZE:

(1) ARTICULATION AND STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES, INCLUDING ADMISSION AND ADVISING PRACTICES; AND

(2) ANY OTHER STUDENT TRANSFER RELATED ISSUES AS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE BY THE COMMISSION.

(G) THE COMMITTEE SHALL MEET AT LEAST FOUR TIMES PER YEAR.

(H) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2013, AND IN EACH ODD-NUMBERED YEAR THEREAFTER, THE COMMITTEE SHALL REPORT ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2012. It shall remain effective for a period of 10 years and, at the end of June 30, 2022, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved by the Governor, May 2, 2012.