

HOUSE BILL 1203

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By: **Delegates Parrott, Dwyer, Frank, Glass, McDermott, and Serafini**
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Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Institutions of Higher Education – Open Housing Policies – Prohibited**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting an institution of higher education in the State from
4 having an open housing policy that allows students of different genders to live
5 together in the same room; prohibiting an institution of higher education that
6 violates this prohibition from receiving certain funding under certain
7 circumstances; and generally relating to open housing policies at institutions of
8 higher education.

9 BY adding to
10 Article – Education
11 Section 11–408
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Education**

17 **11–408.**

18 **(A) AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE MAY NOT**
19 **HAVE AN OPEN HOUSING POLICY THAT ALLOWS STUDENTS OF DIFFERENT**
20 **GENDERS TO LIVE TOGETHER IN THE SAME ROOM.**

21 **(B) AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION THAT VIOLATES THE**
22 **PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION MAY NOT RECEIVE ANY STATE OPERATING OR**
23 **CAPITAL FUNDING UNTIL THE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IS IN**
24 **COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2 July 1, 2014.