

SENATE BILL 595

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By: **Senator Rosapepe**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – ~~Dual Enrollment~~ – Middle School Students – Awarding of Credit**

3 FOR the purpose of ~~altering the grade that certain students must complete in order for~~
4 ~~certain public institutions of higher education to accept the student for special~~
5 ~~admission; repealing the requirement that certain students must earn a certain score~~
6 ~~on a certain test in order for certain public institutions of higher education to accept~~
7 ~~the student for special admission; authorizing certain middle school students to~~
8 ~~participate in certain dual enrollment programs; and generally relating to dual~~
9 ~~enrollment for~~ requiring certain county boards of education to award credit to certain
10 middle school students under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the
11 awarding of credit to middle school students.

12 ~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,~~

13 ~~Article – Education~~

14 ~~Section 15-101(b), 18-1401(a) and (d), 18-14A-01(a) and (c), 18-14A-04(b), and~~
15 ~~24-703.1~~

16 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

17 ~~(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)~~

18 BY adding to

19 Article – Education

20 Section 4-132

21 Annotated Code of Maryland

22 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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.



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

Article – Education

4-132.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, A COUNTY BOARD SHALL
AWARD CREDIT TO A MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT FOR ANY COURSE FOR WHICH A
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT WOULD BE AWARDED CREDIT IF THE MIDDLE SCHOOL
STUDENT MEETS THE SAME REQUIREMENTS AS THE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT.

~~15-101.~~

~~(b) (1) Each public institution of higher education may accept, for special admission any student who has:~~

~~(i) Completed] COMPLETED the [seventh] FIFTH grade]; and~~

~~(ii) A scholastic aptitude test combined score of 1,200 or an equivalent score on a nationally accepted college entrance examination].~~

~~(2) This subsection does not affect the State or local share of aid provided pursuant to § 5-202 of this article to the secondary school in which the student is enrolled.~~

~~18-1401.~~

~~(a) In this section, “part-time student” means a student who:~~

~~(1) Is enrolled in a degree-granting program at an eligible institution and taking at least 3 but no more than 11 semester hours of courses each semester; or~~

~~(2) Is dually enrolled in a [secondary] MIDDLE OR HIGH school in the State and an institution of higher education.~~

~~(d) For courses completed under the program, a recipient who is dually enrolled in a [secondary] MIDDLE OR HIGH school in the State and an institution of higher education may not be required to receive credit from a [secondary] MIDDLE OR HIGH school and an institution of higher education at the same time.~~

~~18-14A-01.~~

~~(a) (1) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.~~

~~(2) “Dually enrolled student” means a student who is dually enrolled in:~~

1 ~~(i) A [secondary] MIDDLE OR HIGH school in the State; and~~

2 ~~(ii) An institution of higher education in the State.~~

3 ~~(3) "Grant" means the Early College Access Grant.~~

4 ~~(e) For courses completed under the Grant, a recipient is not required to receive~~
5 ~~credit from a [secondary] MIDDLE OR HIGH school and an institution of higher education~~
6 ~~at the same time.~~

7 ~~18-14A-04.~~

8 ~~(b) (1) Subject to subsection (d) of this section, for each dually enrolled student~~
9 ~~who is enrolled in a public MIDDLE OR HIGH school in the county, the county board shall~~
10 ~~pay for up to a maximum of four courses in which the student is enrolled while a student~~
11 ~~in a public [secondary] MIDDLE OR HIGH school in the State:~~

12 ~~(i) For a public senior institution of higher education, 75% of the~~
13 ~~cost of tuition; and~~

14 ~~(ii) For a community college, the lesser of:~~

15 ~~1. 5% of the target per pupil foundation amount established~~
16 ~~under § 5-202(a) of this article; or~~

17 ~~2. 75% of the cost of tuition.~~

18 ~~(2) For each course in excess of four in which a dually enrolled student is~~
19 ~~enrolled, the county board shall pay:~~

20 ~~(i) For a public senior institution of higher education, 90% of the~~
21 ~~cost of tuition; and~~

22 ~~(ii) For a community college, the lesser of:~~

23 ~~1. 5% of the target per pupil foundation amount established~~
24 ~~under § 5-202(a) of this article; or~~

25 ~~2. 90% of the cost of tuition.~~

26 ~~(3) If there is an agreement before July 1, 2013, between a public school~~
27 ~~and a public institution of higher education in which the public institution of higher~~
28 ~~education charges less than 75% of the cost of tuition to a dually enrolled student, the~~
29 ~~county board shall pay the cost of tuition under the existing agreement.~~

30 ~~24-703.1.~~

~~The Center shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before December 15 of each year, disaggregated by local school system, regarding:~~

~~(1) The number of students who are dually enrolled under Title 18, Subtitle 14A of this article; and~~

~~(2) The number and course name of the courses in which a student under item (1) of this section dually enrolls at the MIDDLE OR high school and at the public institution of higher education.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2016.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.