SENATE BILL 458

By: **Senator Ready**
Introduced and read first time: January 30, 2017
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Foreign Language Requirement – Computer Programming**
3 **Language Courses**

4 FOR the purpose of allowing county boards of education to authorize certain students to
5   satisfy certain foreign language requirements by completing a certain course in
6   computer programming language; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt
7   certain regulations to establish certain courses; and generally relating to computer
8   programming language courses that satisfy a foreign language requirement.

9 BY adding to
10   Article – Education
11   Section 7–205.4
12   Annotated Code of Maryland
13   (2014 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

16   **Article – Education**

17 **7–205.4.**

18   **(A)   A COUNTY BOARD MAY AUTHORIZE A STUDENT TO SATISFY A STATE OR**
19 **COUNTY MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT BY**
20 **COMPLETING A COURSE IN COMPUTER PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE.**

21   **(B)   THE STATE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT ESTABLISH THE**
22 **COMPUTER PROGRAMMING COURSES THAT FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS**
23 **SECTION.**

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1   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
2   October 1, 2017.