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BY: Appropriations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1457

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, before "Higher" insert "Task Force on"; in the same line, strike the first "-"; in the same line, strike "a"; in the same line, strike "Condition" and substitute "Conditions"; in lines 2 and 3, strike "- Reporting Requirements"; strike beginning with "requiring" in line 4 down through "education" in line 11 and substitute establishing the Task Force on Higher Education Students With Chronic Health Conditions; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member from receiving certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to obtain data on, study, and make recommendations regarding certain matters; authorizing the Task Force to use certain resources to carry out its duties; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland Higher Education Commission to make the report to the Governor and the General Assembly available to the public; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force on Higher Education Students With Chronic Health Conditions"; and strike in their entirety lines 12 through 17, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 19, strike "the Laws of Maryland read as follows"; and after line 19, insert:

"(a) There is a Task Force on Higher Education Students With Chronic Health Conditions.

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- (b) The Maryland Department of Health jointly with the Maryland Higher Education Commission shall appoint members of the Task Force, including members that are:
 - (1) clinical experts;
 - (2) representatives of:
- (i) institutions of higher education, including community colleges, from across the State;
 - (ii) appropriate State agencies;
 - (iii) advocacy groups;
 - (iv) the Young Invisibles; and
- (v) the Center on Young Adult Health and Development at the University of Maryland School of Public Health;
- (3) caregivers or parents of students with chronic health conditions enrolled in institutions of higher education;
- (4) students with chronic health conditions enrolled in institutions of higher education; and
- (5) representatives of any other group or entity that the Maryland Department of Health or the Maryland Higher Education Commission determines is necessary to include in order to develop the recommendations under this Act.

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- (c) The Secretary of Health, or the Secretary's designee, and the chairperson of the Maryland Higher Education Commission, or the chairperson's designee, shall serve as cochairs of the Task Force.
- (d) The Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland Higher Education Commission may provide staff for the Task Force.
 - (e) A member of the Task Force:
 - (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but
- (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

(f) The Task Force shall:

- (1) <u>obtain and study existing data, as is publicly available, on undergraduate and graduate students with chronic health conditions at institutions of higher education in the State, including data on:</u>
 - (i) the demographics of students with chronic health conditions;
- (ii) the types of chronic physical, mental, and behavioral health conditions experienced by students;
 - (iii) challenges faced by students with chronic health conditions;
- (iv) existing policies at institutions of higher education addressing the rights and needs of students with chronic health conditions; and
- (v) available programs and resources at institutions of higher education for students with chronic health conditions; and

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(2) make recommendations on:

- (i) enhancing and continuing systematic data collection on students with chronic health conditions;
- (ii) eliminating existing challenges and accommodating the needs of students with chronic health conditions to ensure they receive reasonable, effective, and appropriate higher education in the State; and
- (iii) meeting the long—term resource demands of and the need for programs for students with chronic health conditions.
- (g) The Task Force may use State, federal, and academic resources to carry out the Task Force's duties under subsection (f) of this section, including obtaining policies on accommodating students with chronic health conditions from institutions of higher education within the State or in other states.
- (h) (1) On or before December 31, 2019, the Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.
- (2) The Maryland Department of Health and the Maryland Higher Education Commission shall make the report submitted under this subsection available to the public.".

On pages 1 through 7, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 20 on page 1 through line 9 on page 7, inclusive.

On page 7, in line 11, strike "10" and substitute " $\underline{2}$ "; and in the same line, strike "2028" and substitute " $\underline{2020}$ ".