

HOUSE BILL 403

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CF SB 595

By: **Delegates Jones, Brooks, Gaines, Gutierrez, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Holmes, Jalisi, Knotts, Lafferty, Morhaim, Mosby, Reznik, Stein, Sydnor, and P. Young**

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House action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Community Colleges – Facilities Renewal Grant Program – Established**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Community College Facilities Renewal Grant
4 Program; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to administer the
5 Program; requiring the Governor to annually appropriate a certain amount in a
6 certain budget to the Commission; requiring a certain appropriation to be in addition
7 to the appropriation for a certain other program; requiring, by a certain date, a
8 community college to provide certain information to the Commission; establishing
9 requirements and limitations in awarding grants; requiring the Commission, in
10 collaboration with the community colleges, to adopt certain regulations; defining
11 certain terms; and generally relating to a facility renewal grant program for
12 community colleges.

13 BY adding to

14 Article – Education

15 Section 16–320

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

20 **Article – Education**

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.



1 16-320.

2 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
3 INDICATED.

4 (2) "COMMUNITY COLLEGE" INCLUDES BALTIMORE CITY
5 COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

6 (3) "ELIGIBLE PROJECT" MEANS A FACILITY RENEWAL PROJECT,
7 INCLUDING IMPROVEMENTS, REPAIRS, AND DEFERRED MAINTENANCE, THAT HAS A
8 TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000,000 AND HAS BEEN SUBMITTED
9 TO THE COMMISSION AS PART OF AN ANNUAL MASTER PLAN OR A
10 10-YEAR MASTER PLAN.

11 (4) "PROGRAM" MEANS THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES
12 RENEWAL GRANT PROGRAM.

13 (B) (1) THERE IS A COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES RENEWAL GRANT
14 PROGRAM THAT SHALL PROVIDE STATE FUNDS TO COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOR
15 IMPROVEMENTS, REPAIRS, AND DEFERRED MAINTENANCE PROJECTS IN
16 ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

17 (2) THE COMMISSION SHALL ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM.

18 (C) (1) IN FISCAL YEAR 2019 AND IN EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER,
19 THE GOVERNOR SHALL ANNUALLY APPROPRIATE IN THE OPERATING BUDGET OF
20 THE COMMISSION AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 5% OF THE APPROPRIATION TO THE
21 COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM IN THE SAME FISCAL YEAR.

22 (2) THE APPROPRIATION REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS
23 SUBSECTION SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO AND MAY NOT SUPPLANT THE AMOUNT
24 APPROPRIATED TO THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACILITIES GRANT PROGRAM IN
25 THE STATE BUDGET.

26 (D) (1) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1 OF THE FISCAL YEAR PRECEDING
27 THE FISCAL YEAR OF THE GRANT AWARD, A COMMUNITY COLLEGE SHALL PROVIDE
28 TO THE COMMISSION INFORMATION ABOUT THE ELIGIBLE PROJECT FOR WHICH THE
29 COMMUNITY COLLEGE IS REQUESTING A GRANT.

30 (2) (I) THE COMMISSION MAY MAKE UP TO EIGHT GRANTS IN EACH
31 FISCAL YEAR.

1 (II) 1. SUBJECT TO SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS
2 SUBPARAGRAPH, A COMMUNITY COLLEGE MAY NOT RECEIVE A GRANT IN 2
3 CONSECUTIVE FISCAL YEARS.

4 2. IF A COMMUNITY COLLEGE DOES NOT REQUEST
5 FUNDS IN A FISCAL YEAR, THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE MAY NOT RECEIVE A GRANT
6 UNTIL THE SECOND FOLLOWING FISCAL YEAR.

7 (III) 1. SUBJECT TO SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS
8 SUBPARAGRAPH, A COMMUNITY COLLEGE MAY NOT RECEIVE MORE THAN \$500,000
9 IN A FISCAL YEAR UNDER THE PROGRAM.

10 2. IF THE APPROPRIATION PROVIDED UNDER
11 SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION IS LESS THAN \$4,000,000 IN A FISCAL YEAR, THE
12 APPROPRIATION SHALL BE AWARDED EQUALLY TO EACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE
13 THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A GRANT IN THAT FISCAL YEAR.

14 3. SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATION ESTABLISHED IN
15 SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, A COMMUNITY COLLEGE MAY
16 RECEIVE FUNDING FOR MORE THAN ONE ELIGIBLE PROJECT IN A FISCAL YEAR.

17 (IV) THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSULT WITH EACH COMMUNITY
18 COLLEGE TO DETERMINE WHICH COMMUNITY COLLEGES WILL RECEIVE A GRANT
19 FOR ELIGIBLE PROJECTS UNDER THE PROGRAM IN EACH FISCAL YEAR.

20 (E) THE COMMISSION, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE COMMUNITY
21 COLLEGES, SHALL ADOPT ANY REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE
22 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
24 1, 2018.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.