

HOUSE BILL 1698

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By: **Delegate Chang**

Introduced and read first time: February 16, 2018

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Life Changing Experiences School Program – Established**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Life Changing Experiences School Program;
4 establishing the purpose of the Program; requiring the Program to use certain
5 presentations during certain assemblies; requiring the Program to collect data from
6 students at certain times in a certain manner; requiring the Program to be a
7 multiyear program that addresses certain subjects; requiring the State Department
8 of Education, in collaboration with the Children and Parent Resource Group, Inc., to
9 develop the Program; requiring each county board to administer the Program in
10 certain grades at certain schools; requiring the Governor to include a certain
11 appropriation to the Program beginning in a certain fiscal year; requiring the
12 Department to submit a certain report to certain committees of the General
13 Assembly on or before a certain date; defining a certain term; providing for the
14 termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Life Changing Experiences
15 School Program.

16 BY adding to

17 Article – Education

18 Section 7–411.2

19 Annotated Code of Maryland

20 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

23 **Article – Education**

24 **7–411.2.**

25 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “PROGRAM” MEANS THE LIFE CHANGING**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **EXPERIENCES SCHOOL PROGRAM.**

2 **(B) THERE IS A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCES SCHOOL PROGRAM IN THE**
3 **STATE.**

4 **(C) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO TEACH AND EMPOWER**
5 **STUDENTS WITH THE TOOLS AND SKILLS TO BETTER REACT TO DANGEROUS**
6 **ACTIVITIES THAT MIGHT JEOPARDIZE THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING AND TO**
7 **BETTER EQUIP STUDENTS WITH THE LIFE SKILLS NECESSARY TO THRIVE AS AN**
8 **ADULT.**

9 **(D) (1) THE PROGRAM SHALL UTILIZE INTERACTIVE,**
10 **THREE-DIMENSIONAL MEDIA PRESENTATIONS DURING SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES TO**
11 **INFORM STUDENTS REGARDING THE SUBJECTS LISTED UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF**
12 **THIS SECTION.**

13 **(2) THE PROGRAM SHALL COLLECT DATA FROM EACH STUDENT**
14 **ANONYMOUSLY BEFORE AND AFTER THE PROGRAM.**

15 **(E) THE PROGRAM SHALL BE A MULTIYEAR PROGRAM THAT ADDRESSES AT**
16 **LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS EACH YEAR:**

17 **(1) BULLYING;**

18 **(2) DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE;**

19 **(3) ENTREPRENEURSHIP;**

20 **(4) DISTRACTED DRIVING; AND**

21 **(5) ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY.**

22 **(F) THE DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH CHILDREN AND PARENT**
23 **RESOURCE GROUP, INC., SHALL DEVELOP THE PROGRAM.**

24 **(G) EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM FOR**
25 **STUDENTS IN EACH OF GRADES 6 THROUGH 11 AT PUBLIC SCHOOLS WITH MORE**
26 **THAN 100 STUDENTS PER GRADE.**

27 **(H) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE**
28 **GOVERNOR SHALL APPROPRIATE IN THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET \$1,772,000 TO**
29 **THE PROGRAM.**

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1,
2 2021, the State Department of Education, in consultation with the county boards of
3 education participating in the Life Changing Experiences School Program established
4 under § 7-411.2 of the Education Article, shall submit a report in accordance with § 2-1246
5 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee and the
6 House Committee on Appropriations, on the results of the Program, including an
7 accounting on the various costs, if any, associated with the Program and the relevant data
8 on student outcomes in the local jurisdiction.

9 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
10 1, 2018. It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of June 30, 2022,
11 this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and
12 of no further force and effect.