

HOUSE BILL 475

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By: **Delegates Cain, Guyton, and Mosby**
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Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Community Colleges – Students With Disabilities**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to consult with
4 the Maryland Association of Community Colleges when establishing a certain review
5 process and adopting certain guidelines or regulations for a grant program for
6 supplemental services and supports for students with disabilities; requiring,
7 beginning in a certain fiscal year, that the Governor include in the annual budget
8 bill at least a certain appropriation to the Commission to be used to award grants for
9 a certain program; and generally relating to the grant program for supplemental
10 services and supports for students with disabilities in community colleges.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Education
13 Section 16–319
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Education**

19 16–319.

20 (a) The Commission shall establish and administer a grant program for
21 supplemental services and supports for students with disabilities in community colleges.

22 (b) The Commission, in cooperation with the Department of Disabilities **AND IN**
23 **CONSULTATION WITH THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES,**
24 shall:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (1) Establish a competitive review process for the awarding of grants to
2 community colleges; and

3 (2) Adopt any other guidelines or regulations necessary for the
4 administration of this section.

5 **(C) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE**
6 **GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL A GENERAL FUND**
7 **APPROPRIATION OF AT LEAST \$2,500,000 TO THE COMMISSION TO BE USED TO**
8 **AWARD GRANTS UNDER THIS SECTION.**

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
10 1, 2020.