

SENATE BILL 1022

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By: **Senator Elfreth**

Introduced and read first time: February 13, 2020

Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland – Tuition Exemption –**
3 **Student Members**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland
5 to grant a certain tuition exemption for a certain individual serving in the second
6 year of an appointment as a student member on the Board; prohibiting the tuition
7 exemption from being considered a gift or compensation under certain State laws;
8 prohibiting a student member receiving the tuition exemption from being classified
9 as an employee of the University System of Maryland; and generally relating to the
10 Board of Regents of the University System of Maryland.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
12 Article – Education
13 Section 12–102(c)(1) and (f)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
17 Article – Education
18 Section 12–102(h)
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 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 12–102.

25 (c) The Board of Regents consists of 21 members as follows:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (1) (i) Except as provided in item (ii) of this item, two members shall be
 2 full-time students in good academic standing at an institution under the jurisdiction of the
 3 Board; and

4 (ii) A student member who is in good academic standing at the
 5 University of Maryland Global Campus shall be exempt from the full-time student
 6 requirement in item (i) of this item;

7 (f) (1) Except for the student members, each appointed member serves for a
 8 term of 5 years from July 1 of the year of appointment and until a successor is appointed
 9 and qualifies. These members may be reappointed.

10 (2) The student members shall be appointed for a term of 2 years, from July
 11 1, and may be reappointed if the student remains a student at any campus of the University
 12 System of Maryland.

13 (3) A member appointed to fill a vacancy in an unexpired term serves only
 14 for the remainder of that term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

15 (h) (1) Each member of the Board:

16 [(1)] (I) Serves without compensation; and

17 [(2)] (II) Is entitled to reimbursement for expenses in accordance with the
 18 Standard State Travel Regulations.

19 (2) (I) **THE BOARD MAY GRANT A TUITION EXEMPTION TO A**
 20 **STUDENT MEMBER NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF THE TUITION OBLIGATION**
 21 **INCURRED BY THE STUDENT MEMBER DURING THE SECOND YEAR OF A 2-YEAR**
 22 **TERM.**

23 (II) **A TUITION EXEMPTION PROVIDED TO A STUDENT MEMBER**
 24 **UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH MAY NOT:**

25 1. **BE CONSIDERED A GIFT OR COMPENSATION UNDER**
 26 **TITLE 5 OF THE GENERAL PROVISIONS ARTICLE;**

27 2. **BE CONSIDERED COMPENSATION UNDER:**

28 A. **PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION; OR**

29 B. **§ 12-101(A)(3) OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT**
 30 **ARTICLE; OR**

1 **3. CAUSE THE STUDENT MEMBER TO BE CLASSIFIED AS**
2 **AN EMPLOYEE OF THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF MARYLAND.**

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
4 1, 2020.