

SENATE BILL 584

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CF HB 46

By: **Senator Gallion**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Student Horizon Database and Scorecard**
3 **(Students Right to Know Act of 2021)**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with
5 certain agencies, to annually collect certain information; requiring the Department
6 to establish and maintain a certain database on the Department’s website; requiring
7 the Department to publish on the Department’s website a Student Horizon Scorecard
8 on or before a certain date each year; requiring the Student Horizon Scorecard to
9 include certain information; requiring each local school system to distribute the
10 Student Horizon Scorecard to each high school student on or before a certain date
11 each year; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations; defining certain
12 terms; and generally relating to the Student Horizon Database and Scorecard.

13 BY adding to
14 Article – Education
15 Section 7–126
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 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**

21 **7–126.**

22 **(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS**
23 **INDICATED.**

24 **(2) “INSTITUTION OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION” HAS THE**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 MEANING STATED IN § 10–101 OF THIS ARTICLE.

2 (3) “PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOL” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN §
3 10–101 OF THIS ARTICLE.

4 (4) “PUBLIC SENIOR HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION” HAS THE
5 MEANING STATED IN § 10–101 OF THIS ARTICLE.

6 (B) THE DEPARTMENT, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE MARYLAND HIGHER
7 EDUCATION COMMISSION, THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, AND THE
8 MARYLAND LONGITUDINAL DATA SYSTEM CENTER, SHALL:

9 (1) ANNUALLY COLLECT INFORMATION ON:

10 (I) THE MOST IN–DEMAND JOBS IN THE STATE, INCLUDING THE
11 STARTING SALARY AND EDUCATION LEVELS REQUIRED FOR EACH JOB;

12 (II) FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION
13 AND PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOLS IN THE STATE, THE AVERAGE:

14 1. COST OF ATTENDANCE;

15 2. MONTHLY STUDENT LOAN PAYMENTS OF STUDENTS
16 WHO ATTENDED EACH INSTITUTION OR PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOL;

17 3. STUDENT 3–YEAR LOAN DEFAULT RATE;

18 4. GRADUATION OR COMPLETION RATE OF STUDENTS
19 WHO ATTENDED EACH INSTITUTION OR PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOL; AND

20 5. STARTING SALARY OF GRADUATES OR COMPLETERS
21 OF EACH INSTITUTION OR PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOL;

22 (III) FOR ALL PUBLIC SENIOR HIGHER EDUCATION
23 INSTITUTIONS, THE AVERAGE TOTAL STUDENT LOAN DEBT OF GRADUATES OF EACH
24 INSTITUTION FOR EACH UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM AT
25 THE INSTITUTION;

26 (IV) THE COMPLETION RATE AND AVERAGE STARTING SALARY
27 OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL:

28 1. APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS;

- 1 7. **STUDENT RACE;**
- 2 8. **STUDENT ETHNICITY;**
- 3 9. **FAMILY INCOME BRACKETS;**
- 4 10. **PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY PAYING**
5 **STUDENT LOAN PAYMENTS;**
- 6 11. **AVERAGE TOTAL DEBT AFTER GRADUATION OR**
7 **COMPLETION;**
- 8 12. **AVERAGE STUDENT DEBT AFTER GRADUATION OR**
9 **COMPLETION;**
- 10 13. **PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS RECEIVING FEDERAL**
11 **LOANS;**
- 12 14. **AVERAGE MONTHLY STUDENT LOAN PAYMENT;**
- 13 15. **PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS NOT RETURNING AFTER**
14 **THEIR FIRST YEAR; AND**
- 15 16. **ENROLLMENT OR EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF**
16 **STUDENTS 8 YEARS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION; AND**
- 17 **(III) A SEARCH FUNCTION TO ALLOW A USER TO CHOOSE A**
18 **SPECIFIC MAJOR OR PROGRAM AT AN INSTITUTION OF POSTSECONDARY**
19 **EDUCATION OR PRIVATE CAREER SCHOOL THAT YIELDS RESULTS ON THE:**
- 20 1. **PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS WHO WILL GRADUATE IN**
21 **6 YEARS OR LESS OR COMPLETE ON TIME;**
- 22 2. **PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS EMPLOYED WITHIN 6**
23 **MONTHS OF GRADUATION OR COMPLETION WITH AN AVERAGE STARTING SALARY OF**
24 **AN AMOUNT SELECTED BY THE USER;**
- 25 3. **AVERAGE DEBT OF GRADUATES OR COMPLETERS;**
- 26 4. **AVERAGE TOTAL COST OF ATTENDANCE FOR THE**
27 **SELECTED MAJOR OR PROGRAM; AND**

1 **5. AVERAGE DEBT OF STUDENTS WHO DO NOT**
2 **GRADUATE OR COMPLETE THE PROGRAM.**

3 **(C) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2022, AND EACH OCTOBER 1 THEREAFTER,**
4 **THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PUBLISH ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE A STUDENT**
5 **HORIZON SCORECARD THAT INCLUDES A LIST OF THE:**

6 **(1) 50 HIGHEST ENROLLED MAJORS AMONG ALL PUBLIC SENIOR**
7 **HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS IN THE STATE;**

8 **(2) 20 CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATE**
9 **PROGRAMS WITH THE HIGHEST STARTING SALARY AFTER GRADUATION OR**
10 **COMPLETION;**

11 **(3) 25 MOST IN-DEMAND JOBS IN THE STATE AND THEIR**
12 **CORRESPONDING STARTING SALARIES AND EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS; AND**

13 **(4) BASE PAY, BENEFITS, AND AVERAGE SIGNING BONUS OF**
14 **STUDENTS WHO ENLIST IN THE MILITARY AFTER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION,**
15 **ALONG WITH THE NECESSARY ARMED SERVICES VOCATIONAL APTITUDE BATTERY**
16 **SCORE BY MILITARY BRANCH.**

17 **(D) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 31, 2022, AND EACH OCTOBER 31**
18 **THEREAFTER, EACH LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM SHALL DISTRIBUTE TO EACH HIGH**
19 **SCHOOL STUDENT THE MOST RECENT STUDENT HORIZON SCORECARD PUBLISHED**
20 **ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.**

21 **(E) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS**
22 **SECTION.**

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 October 1, 2021.