

HB1030/153522/1

BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1030
(Third Reading File Bill)

On page 2, in line 22, after “(X)” insert “(1)”; in line 23, after “A” insert “UNIFIED”; and after line 25, insert:

“(2) THE UNIFIED SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION SHALL:

(I) BE:

- 1. AVAILABLE IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES; AND**
- 2. MOBILE ACCESSIBLE, INCLUDING THE ABILITY FOR A STUDENT TO UPLOAD DOCUMENTS FROM THEIR PHONE; AND**

(II) INCLUDE:

- 1. AN ELECTRONIC INBOX THAT ALLOWS A STUDENT TO SEE ALL COMMUNICATIONS SENT TO THE STUDENT IN ONE PLACE;**
- 2. A DISPLAY THAT SHOWS IN AN ACCESSIBLE AND CLEAR MANNER ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS AND THE STUDENT’S PROGRESS IN COMPLETING THOSE DOCUMENTS;**
- 3. THE ABILITY FOR A STUDENT TO ELECTRONICALLY SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS;**

4. AN INTEGRATION OF A STUDENT'S TAX INFORMATION FROM THE COMPTROLLER AUTHORIZED UNDER § 13-203(C)(12) OF THE TAX – GENERAL ARTICLE;

5. A WAY TO CONTACT THE COMMISSION WITH ANY QUESTIONS FOR A TIMELY ANSWER; AND

6. VIDEOS AND GUIDANCE TO EXPLAIN THE APPLICATION PROCESS.”.

On page 4, in line 24, strike “Emergency Number Systems” and substitute “MARYLAND 9-1-1”.

On page 5, after line 3, insert:

“SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The Maryland Higher Education Commission shall use the funding provided in the fiscal year 2023 operating budget, as enacted by Chapter _____ of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022 (S.B. 290) to develop the unified scholarship application under § 11-105(x) of the Education Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.

(b) It is the intent of the Maryland General Assembly that the unified scholarship application under § 11-105(x) of the Education Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, replace the current Maryland College Aid Processing System (MDCAPS) site on or before July 1, 2025.”;

and in line 4, strike “4.” and substitute “5.”.