SENATE BILL 89

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By: Senator Ellis
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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

University System of Maryland – Regional Higher Education Center – Charles County

FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of Regents for the University System of Maryland to adopt and implement a plan to establish a regional higher education center in Charles County on or before certain dates; and generally relating to regional higher education centers.

BY adding to

Article – Education
Section 12–124
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

Article – Education

12–124.

(A) (1) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2023, THE BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL ADOPT A PLAN TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER LOCATED IN CHARLES COUNTY.

(2) THE PURPOSE OF THE REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER IS TO PROVIDE STUDENTS IN CHARLES COUNTY WITH ACCESS TO ESTABLISHED, CUTTING–EDGE, AND HIGH–DEMAND ACADEMIC PROGRAMS OF DEGREE–GRANTING INSTITUTIONS.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
(B) (1) On or before July 1, 2028, the Board of Regents shall implement the plan adopted under subsection (a) of this section.

(2) Funding for the regional higher education center in Charles County shall be as provided in the State budget.

SECTION 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022.