

SENATE BILL 198

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(PRE-FILED)

By: Senator A. Washington

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Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's Community College – Aerospace Technology Studies Program**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of Community College Trustees for Prince George's
4 County, in consultation with the Maryland Higher Education Commission, the
5 Department of Commerce, and the Prince George's County Economic Development
6 Corporation, to establish an Aerospace Technology Studies Program at Prince
7 George's Community College; and generally relating to Prince George's Community
8 College.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Education

11 Section 16-420

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Education**

17 **16-420.**

18 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
19 INDICATED.

20 (2) "BOARD" MEANS THE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE
21 TRUSTEES FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



3 (B) THE BOARD, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSION, THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AND THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY ECONOMIC
5 DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, SHALL ESTABLISH AN AEROSPACE TECHNOLOGY
6 STUDIES PROGRAM.

7 (c) (1) THE BOARD, IN CONSULTATION WITH INDUSTRY EXPERTS, SHALL
8 DEVELOP THE PROGRAM CURRICULUM TO INCLUDE:

9 (I) AEROSPACE SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGY;

10 (II) AVIONICS AND ELECTRONICS;

(IV) ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN AEROSPACE.

19 (D) THE BOARD SHALL ENTER INTO MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING TO
20 ESTABLISH FORMAL INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS WITH AT LEAST ONE AEROSPACE
21 AND TECHNOLOGY EMPLOYER IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

22 (E) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROGRAM AT PRINCE GEORGE'S
23 COMMUNITY COLLEGE IS SUBJECT TO PROGRAM APPROVAL BY THE COMMISSION
24 UNDER TITLE 11, SUBTITLE 2 OF THIS ARTICLE.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
9 1, 2026.