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Support

House Ways and Means Committee *Senate Bill 84 – Teacher Degree Apprenticeships*

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Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony in support (as amended) of [Senate Bill 84 \(Rosapepe\) Teacher Degree Apprenticeship](#). We are writing on behalf of the Maryland Education Deans Council representing all twenty-two (22) Education Deans and Directors at the University System of Maryland (USM), Maryland Independent College and University Association (MICUA) institutions, Morgan State University, and St. Mary’s College of Maryland. The Maryland Association of Community Colleges joins us in the testimony.

The Education Deans Council and the Maryland Association of Community Colleges are supportive of an innovative pathway into the profession drawn from the apprenticeship model. We agree this pathway will expand outreach to a broader and more diverse pool of candidates who might become teachers. This pathway is particularly important because it may attract non-traditional and low-income candidates into teaching, since earning a salary while engaged in a teacher preparation program could be an attractive incentive.

We enthusiastically support this bill, as amended, and look forward to collaborating with Maryland’s local school districts in implementing this new pathway into teaching.

The Maryland Education Deans Council requests a favorable report of SB 84.

University System of Maryland Institutions

Bowie State University
Coppin State University
Frostburg State University
Salisbury University
Towson University

University of Maryland,
Baltimore County
University of Maryland,
College Park

University of Maryland
Eastern Shore
University of Maryland
Global Campus

Maryland Independent College and University Association Institutions

Goucher University	Notre Dame of Maryland	Mount St. Mary's University
Hood College	University	Stevenson University
Johns Hopkins University	Maryland Institute College of	Washington Adventist
Loyola University Maryland	Art	University
	McDaniel College	Washington College

Other Maryland Public Institutions

Morgan State University
Saint Mary's College of Maryland

Maryland Community Colleges

Allegany College of Maryland	College of Southern Maryland	Howard Community College
Anne Arundel Community	Community College of	Montgomery College
College	Baltimore County	Prince George's Community
Baltimore City Community	Frederick Community College	College
College	Garrett College	Wor-Wic Community College
Carroll Community College	Hagerstown Community	
Cecil College	College	
Chesapeake College	Harford Community College	