

HOUSE BILL 811

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By: **Delegates Olszewski, Clippinger, and Mitchell**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Summer Career Academy Pilot Program**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Summer Career Academy Pilot Program and
4 identifying the purpose of the Program; providing for the duration of the
5 Program; requiring the State Department of Education to develop certain
6 criteria for the selection of eligible school systems and eligible students for
7 participation in the Program; requiring the Department to collaborate with
8 certain entities to develop criteria for eligible employers; authorizing the State
9 Superintendent of Schools to select certain school systems to participate in the
10 Program; prohibiting a certain school system from participating in the Program
11 more than once; authorizing certain county superintendents to select a certain
12 number of students in certain years to participate in the Program; requiring a
13 student selected to participate in the Program to be assigned a certain counselor
14 and a certain employment opportunity and to receive a certain stipend;
15 authorizing certain students to choose to receive certain monetary awards on
16 completion of the Program; providing that funding for the Program be as
17 provided in the State budget; requiring the Department to reduce the number of
18 participating students if sufficient funds are not provided; requiring the
19 Department to submit a certain report on or before certain dates including
20 certain information; providing for the termination of this Act; defining certain
21 terms; and generally relating to the Summer Career Academy Pilot Program.

22 BY adding to

23 Article – Education

24 Section 7–205.2

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 Annotated Code of Maryland
2 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

5 **Article – Education**

6 **7–205.2.**

7 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE
8 MEANINGS INDICATED.

9 (2) “ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER” MEANS AN EMPLOYER THAT HAS A
10 POSITION AVAILABLE FOR A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT OVER THE SUMMER AND
11 MEETS THE CRITERIA DEVELOPED UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(2) OF THIS SECTION.

12 (3) “ELIGIBLE SCHOOL SYSTEM” MEANS A LOCAL SCHOOL
13 SYSTEM THAT HAS A LARGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT ON TRACK TO
14 MEET THE MARYLAND COLLEGE AND CAREER READY STANDARDS IN HIGH
15 SCHOOL, AS DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

16 (4) “ELIGIBLE STUDENT” MEANS A STUDENT WHO IS INTERESTED
17 IN OBTAINING WORKFORCE SKILLS AND TRAINING AND IS:

18 (I) REQUIRED TO TAKE A TRANSITION COURSE UNDER §
19 7–205.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE;

20 (II) STRUGGLING TO ACHIEVE MATHEMATICS COMPETENCY
21 IN ALGEBRA II BEFORE GRADUATION, AS DETERMINED BY A GUIDANCE
22 COUNSELOR AT THE STUDENT’S SCHOOL; OR

23 (III) STRUGGLING TO ACHIEVE COLLEGE AND CAREER
24 READINESS BEFORE GRADUATION, AS DETERMINED BY A GUIDANCE
25 COUNSELOR AT THE STUDENT’S SCHOOL, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH CRITERIA
26 DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

27 (5) “PROGRAM” MEANS THE SUMMER CAREER ACADEMY PILOT
28 PROGRAM.

29 (B) (1) THERE IS A SUMMER CAREER ACADEMY PILOT PROGRAM IN
30 THE STATE.

31 (2) THE PROGRAM SHALL BEGIN IN THE SUMMER OF 2015 AND
32 LAST FOR 3 YEARS.

1 ~~(2)~~ (3) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE
2 STUDENTS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING WORKFORCE SKILLS AND
3 TRAINING AND WHO ARE STRUGGLING ACADEMICALLY TO MEET GRADUATION
4 REQUIREMENTS AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADVANCE THE SKILLS OF THE STATE'S
5 WORKFORCE DURING SUMMER EMPLOYMENT AND TO GROW THE STATE'S
6 ECONOMY THROUGH THE PROMOTION OF SUSTAINABLE EMPLOYMENT FOR
7 STUDENTS AFTER GRADUATION.

8 (C) (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP CRITERIA FOR THE
9 SELECTION OF:

10 (I) ELIGIBLE SCHOOL SYSTEMS; AND

11 (II) ELIGIBLE STUDENTS.

12 (2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL COLLABORATE WITH THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION, THE DEPARTMENT OF
14 BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
15 BUSINESS COMMUNITY TO DEVELOP CRITERIA FOR AND IDENTIFY ELIGIBLE
16 EMPLOYERS.

17 (D) (1) (I) THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT MAY SELECT UP TO
18 FOUR ELIGIBLE SCHOOL SYSTEMS EACH YEAR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
19 PROGRAM ~~FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS.~~

20 (II) EACH ELIGIBLE SCHOOL SYSTEM MAY ONLY BE
21 SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM FOR 1 YEAR.

22 (2) (I) FOR THE SUMMER OF 2015, EACH COUNTY
23 SUPERINTENDENT FROM AN ELIGIBLE SCHOOL SYSTEM MAY SELECT UP TO 60
24 STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.

25 (II) FOR THE SUMMERS OF 2016 AND 2017, EACH COUNTY
26 SUPERINTENDENT FROM AN ELIGIBLE SCHOOL SYSTEM MAY SELECT UP TO 100
27 STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.

28 (E) A STUDENT SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM:

29 (1) SHALL BE ASSIGNED A SUMMER CAREER COUNSELOR TO
30 ASSIST WITH THE PROGRAM;

31 (2) SHALL BE ASSIGNED A SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
32 WITH AN ELIGIBLE EMPLOYER;

1 ~~(2)~~ **(3)** SHALL RECEIVE A STIPEND OF UP TO \$4,500 FOR THE
2 SUMMER THAT IS PROPORTIONAL TO THE TIME WORKED; AND

3 ~~(3)~~ **(4)** ON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE PROGRAM, MAY
4 CHOOSE TO RECEIVE:

5 **(I)** A \$500 COMPLETION GRANT; OR

6 **(II)** A \$2,000 SCHOLARSHIP TOWARD THE COST OF TUITION
7 AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE.

8 **(F)** **(1)** FUNDING FOR THE PROGRAM SHALL BE AS PROVIDED IN THE
9 STATE BUDGET.

10 **(2)** IF IN ANY YEAR SUFFICIENT FUNDS ARE NOT PROVIDED IN
11 THE STATE BUDGET TO FULLY FUND THE STIPENDS AND COMPLETION GRANTS
12 OR SCHOLARSHIPS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION **(E)** OF THIS SECTION, THE
13 DEPARTMENT SHALL REDUCE THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN
14 THE PROGRAM ACCORDINGLY.

15 **(G)** ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF THE YEARS 2015 THROUGH 2017,
16 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE
17 WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL
18 ASSEMBLY, REGARDING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROGRAM INCLUDING:

19 **(1)** THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE
20 PROGRAM FROM EACH ELIGIBLE SCHOOL SYSTEM;

21 **(2)** WAGE INFORMATION REGARDING PAYMENTS DISBURSED TO
22 STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM;

23 ~~(2)~~ **(3)** FEEDBACK FROM STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE
24 PROGRAM ON WAYS TO IMPROVE THE PROGRAM;

25 ~~(3)~~ **(4)** THE TYPES OF WORKFORCE SKILLS AND TRAINING
26 THAT THE STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM WERE ABLE TO
27 ACQUIRE; AND

28 ~~(4)~~ **(5)** RECOMMENDATIONS TO EXPAND OR DISCONTINUE THE
29 PROGRAM.

30 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
31 July 1, 2014. It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of June 30,

1 2018, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be
2 abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.