

SENATE BILL 631

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By: **Senator Rosapepe**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education Outreach and College Access Pilot Program – Alterations and**
3 **~~Repeal~~ Extension of Sunset**

4 FOR the purpose of ~~repealing~~ extending the termination date of certain provisions of law
5 relating to the Maryland Higher Education Outreach and College Access Pilot
6 Program; ~~altering the name of the Program~~; altering the provisions related to a
7 certain report on the Program; and generally relating to the Maryland Higher
8 Education Outreach and College Access Pilot Program.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, ~~with~~ without amendments,
10 Article – Education
11 Section ~~11-1101 through 11-1103 and 11-1106~~, 11-1102, 11-1104, and 11-1105
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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16 Section ~~11-1104 and 11-1105~~ 11-1103 and 11-1106
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19 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
20 Chapter 200 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
21 Section 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 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
2 Chapter 201 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2015
3 Section 2

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

6 **Article – Education**

7 11–1101.

8 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

9 (b) “Nonprofit organization” means an organization that is exempt or eligible for
10 exemption from taxation under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

11 (c) “Program” means the Maryland Higher Education Outreach and College
12 Access ~~¶~~Pilot~~¶~~ Program.

13 11–1102.

14 There is a Maryland Higher Education Outreach and College Access ~~¶~~Pilot~~¶~~ Program.

15 11–1103.

16 The purposes of the Program are to:

17 (1) Encourage low–income Maryland high school students to attend and
18 complete college;

19 (2) Connect potential college and university students with nonprofit
20 organizations that have a history of successful higher education outcomes for targeted
21 youth;

22 (3) Create an equal matching fund for nonprofit organizations to access in
23 order to increase college outreach services to low–income students; ~~AND~~

24 (4) Provide funding for nonprofit organizations that are already
25 established in communities to provide targeted outreach to encourage low–income students
26 to enroll in college~~¶~~; and

27 (5) Establish a ~~2–year~~ **5–YEAR** pilot program to determine if the Program
28 can lead to an increase in low–income students attending and succeeding in college~~¶~~.

29 11–1104.

1 (a) The Commission shall administer the Program.

2 (b) To carry out the purposes of the Program, the Commission shall:

3 (1) Establish a grant program to be published on the Commission's Web
4 site through which nonprofit organizations may learn about eligibility, application, and
5 compliance requirements and apply for funding as provided under this subtitle;

6 (2) Develop application requirements and review and approve applications;

7 (3) Develop a process for verifying that matching funds are available; and

8 (4) Allocate funding to approved nonprofit organizations on a competitive
9 basis.

10 11-1105.

11 (a) To be eligible for participation in the Program, a nonprofit organization shall:

12 (1) Be located in the State;

13 (2) Have a contract or memorandum of understanding with a local school
14 system or an institution of higher education or must establish one if one does not exist; and

15 (3) Demonstrate an equal match for funds requested.

16 (b) A nonprofit organization that receives funding through the Program shall:

17 (1) Submit data on outreach programs;

18 (2) Track student progress through the higher education system; and

19 (3) Submit annual reports to the Commission on or before October 1
20 following the fiscal year in which funds were received.

21 11-1106.

22 (a) The Commission shall prepare ~~for an annual~~ report on the Program that
23 includes:

24 (1) A summary of the reports received FROM THE PARTICIPATING
25 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS regarding the Program;

26 (2) The amount of funds distributed each fiscal year; ~~and~~

27 (3) INFORMATION REGARDING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE
28 PROGRAM, INCLUDING WHETHER STUDENTS MATRICULATE AND REMAIN

1 CONTINUOUSLY ENROLLED IN HIGHER EDUCATION AS A RESULT OF THE PROGRAM;
 2 AND

3 ~~(3)~~ (4) If an eligible wait list exists, the number of nonprofit
 4 organizations on the wait list.

5 (b) On or before December 1, 2017, and December 1, 2018] ~~EACH YEAR IN 2017~~
 6 THROUGH 2021, the Commission shall submit a copy of the report required under
 7 subsection (a) of this section to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the
 8 State Government Article.

9 **Chapter 200 of the Acts of 2015**

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
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 12 September 30, ~~2019~~ 2022, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this
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19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 20 ~~October~~ July 1, 2018.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.