HB0360/783324/1

BY: Conference Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 360

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after the second "the" insert "<u>funding</u>,"; in line 8, after "regulations;" insert "<u>requiring the Department of Budget and Management to provide State employees information about the Program; requiring the local governing body of each county and municipality in the State to provide their employees with information about the Program;"; in line 9, strike "<u>make</u>" and substitute "<u>submit</u>"; and in line 14, strike "18-3106" and substitute "<u>18-3107</u>".</u>

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 10, after "UNDERGRADUATE" insert "OR GRADUATE".

On page 3, in line 1, strike "ON A FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME BASIS" and substitute "FOR A MINIMUM OF 20 HOURS PER WEEK"; in line 4, after "UNDERGRADUATE" insert "OR A GRADUATE"; in the same line, strike "A PUBLIC" and substitute "AN"; in line 10, after "UNDERGRADUATE" insert "OR GRADUATE"; and in line 15, strike "THE" and substitute "(A) SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE"; in the same line, after "TO" insert "THE LESSER OF:

(1) \$5,000; OR

(2)";

after line 17, insert:

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"(B) THE GOVERNOR ANNUALLY SHALL INCLUDE AN APPROPRIATION OF \$100,000 IN THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE COMMISSION TO DISBURSE ASSISTANCE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.".

On page 4, after line 3, insert:

"18-310**7**.

- (A) THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT SHALL PROVIDE TO STATE EMPLOYEES INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAM.
- (B) THE LOCAL GOVERNING BODY OF EACH COUNTY AND MUNICIPALITY OF THE STATE SHALL PROVIDE THEIR EMPLOYEES WITH INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROGRAM.".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, strike in their entirety lines 9 through 14, inclusive; after line 14, insert:

"SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before September 1, 2020, the Maryland Higher Education Commission shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly regarding:

- (1) how many individuals receive assistance annually under Title 18, Subtitle 31 of the Education Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act;
 - (2) the amount of each award; and

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(3) how many individuals, if any, are placed on a waiting list or denied assistance under Title 18, Subtitle 31 of the Education Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.".