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BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 800
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 16, after “regulations;” insert “requiring the Division to ensure that each inmate enrolled in the Pilot Program has access to the Internet and to certain online materials; requiring the Division to create a certain process by which to confer a degree to an inmate enrolled in the Pilot Program under certain circumstances;”; in line 17, strike “the Maryland Higher Education Commission” and substitute “a certain institution and nonprofit organization”; and in line 18, after “the” insert “Maryland Higher Education”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 25, strike “9” and substitute “12”.

On page 5, after line 9, insert:

“(D) THE DIVISION SHALL:

(1) ENSURE THAT EACH INMATE ENROLLED IN THE PILOT PROGRAM HAS ACCESS TO THE INTERNET AND TO PLATFORMS REQUIRED BY THE COMMISSION AND PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION, INCLUDING:

(I) WEBSITES AND DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE INMATE TO COMPLETE THE FEDERAL FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA);

(II) VIRTUAL LEARNING APPLICATIONS; AND

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(III) THE WEBSITES FOR THE COMMISSION AND PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION; AND

(2) CREATE A SAFE AND REASONABLE PROCESS, WHETHER VIRTUALLY OR IN PERSON, BY WHICH TO CONFER A DEGREE TO AN INMATE WHO IS STILL INCARCERATED AND WHO COMPLETES THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A DEGREE AS PART OF THE PILOT PROGRAM.”;

and in line 12, strike “COMMISSION” and substitute “ASSIGNED INSTITUTION OF POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION”.

On page 6, in line 9, strike “\$125,000” and substitute “\$300,000”; in line 10, strike “\$137,500” and substitute “\$330,000”; in line 11, strike “\$151,250” and substitute “\$363,000”; and in line 12, strike “\$151,250” and substitute “\$363,000”.

On page 7, in line 8, strike “AN INSTITUTION” and substitute “INSTITUTIONS”; in the same line, after “MUST” insert “COLLECTIVELY AIM TO”; in line 9, strike “10” and substitute “40”; and in the same line, after “INMATES” insert “, TO BE DIVIDED AMONG THE INSTITUTIONS,”.