

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 580
(Bill as Printed for Third Reading)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 19, after "State;" insert "requiring the Governor to include certain details in the Budget;"; in line 22, after the semicolon insert "requiring the Department of Education to submit certain reports to the budget committees;"; and in line 26, strike "8-317" and substitute "8-318".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, in line 14, strike "PAID TO THE SCHOOL AND BE PROVIDED JOINTLY" and substitute "SHARED"; strike beginning with "THE CHILD" in line 17 down through "BLIND." in line 19, and substitute:

"(I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPHS (II) AND (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND, SHALL DETERMINE ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS THOSE STUDENTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE ENHANCED PROGRAM DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION.

(II) STUDENTS SERVED IN THE ENHANCED PROGRAM SHALL BE STUDENTS WHO ARE AT RISK OF REQUIRING NONPUBLIC PLACEMENT IN AN OUT-OF-STATE SPECIAL EDUCATION FACILITY, INCLUDING STUDENTS WHO ARE BLIND/DEAF OR STUDENTS WITH OTHER SEVERE AND MULTIPLE DISABILITIES.

(III) FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999, THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE ENHANCED PROGRAM SHALL NOT EXCEED 20 MARYLAND STUDENTS.";

in line 20, after "(2)" insert "(I)"; after line 22, insert:

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“(II) A COUNTY WHICH PAYS THE LOCAL SHARE OF THE “BASIC COST” AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL NOT PAY THE TUITION REQUIRED IN § 8-310 OF THIS TITLE.”;

strike beginning with “THE STATE” in line 23 down through “CHILD” in line 24 and substitute:

“(I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE STATE SHALL PAY THE COST OF SERVING A STUDENT IN THE ENHANCED PROGRAM BASED ON AN INDIVIDUAL COST SHEET COMPLETED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR EACH STUDENT ENROLLED IN THE PROGRAM.

(II) FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999, THE STATE’S SHARE OF THE TOTAL COST OF THE ENHANCED PROGRAM SHALL NOT EXCEED \$750,000”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, after line 38, insert:

“(5) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, “PRIOR YEAR APPROPRIATION” MEANS THE STATE APPROPRIATION TO THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND IN THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR LESS ANY FUNDING PROVIDED UNDER § 8-315 OF THIS SUBTITLE IN THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR.”.

On page 6, in line 1, strike “(5)” and substitute “(6)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 6, in line 7, after “(B)” insert “EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.”; and strike beginning with “PRIOR” in line 17 down through “\$1,300,000” in line 18, and substitute “THE “PRIOR YEAR APPROPRIATION” USED TO CALCULATE THE FISCAL YEAR 2000 APPROPRIATION TO THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND SHALL BE \$11,585,436”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 6, after line 18, insert:

“8-318.

(A) FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES, THE BUDGET SUBMITTED BY THE GOVERNOR TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHALL INCLUDE A DETAILED ACCOUNT OF THE OPERATING AND ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR THE MARYLAND SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE A COMPLETE LIST OF REVENUE SOURCES AND EXPENDITURES FOR:

(1) SALARIES, WAGES, AND FRINGE BENEFITS;

(2) TECHNICAL AND SPECIAL FEES;

(3) COMMUNICATIONS;

(4) TRAVEL;

(5) CONTRACTUAL SERVICES;

(6) SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS;

(7) EQUIPMENT;

(8) FIXED CHARGES; AND

(9) OTHER EXPENSES.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 9, in line 1, after “That” insert “the State Department of Education shall report to the budget committees on or before September 1 of each year on the number of students enrolled in the enhanced program described in § 8-315 of the Education Article and the annual costs of the program. In addition, the Department shall report on any anticipated enrollment growth and future costs related to the enhanced program.

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SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That'.