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The Honorable Bill Ferguson President Senate of Maryland H-107 State House Annapolis, Maryland 21401 The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones Speaker Maryland House of Delegates H-101 State House Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Report # 12697 Report on Exemption from Nonresident Tuition for Qualified Children of Undocumented Immigrants

Dear President Ferguson and Speaker Jones:

In accordance with Education Article §15-106.8, the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) presents the information below on nonresident tuition exemptions for qualified children of undocumented immigrants. The following data are an aggregation of submissions provided by all public postsecondary institutions in the State¹.

	Community Colleges		Public Four-Year Institutions	
Term	Total Number of Students	Total Student Savings	Total Number of Students	Total Student Savings
Summer 2021	235	\$172,133	36	\$139,514
Fall 2021	482	\$1,064,073	122	\$1,061,153
Winter 2021-22	103	\$25,574	12	\$36,665
Spring 2022	454	\$893,352	121	\$1,058,947
TOTALS	**	\$2,155,132	**	\$2,296,279

^{**}Annual student totals are not provided, as individual recipients may have been enrolled across multiple terms during the year. Student headcount data are aggregated at the term level to protect student privacy.

Term figures may not sum to totals due to rounding.

In total, students from 23 public postsecondary institutions (14 community colleges and nine public four-year institutions) benefited from the nonresident tuition exemption authorized under the Article. Total student savings equaled \$4,451,411. The remaining four public postsecondary institutions indicated that no students benefited from the tuition exemption.

• At the 14 Maryland community colleges at which the nonresident tuition exemption was used, the largest number of students to benefit from the nonresident tuition exemption were enrolled during the

¹ Two institutions, Cecil College and University of Maryland, Baltimore, did not submit the required data by the submission deadline.

- Fall 2021 semester, with 482 total students. Over the 2021-2022 reporting period, this exemption resulted in a total student savings of \$2,155,132.
- At the nine Maryland public four-year institutions at which the nonresident tuition exemption was used, the largest number of to benefit from the nonresident tuition exemption were enrolled during the Fall 2021 semester, with 122 total students. Over the 2021-2022 reporting period, this exemption resulted in a total student savings of \$2,296,279.

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me or Dr. Barbara Schmertz, Director of Research & Policy Analysis at <u>barbara.schmertz@maryland.gov.</u>

Sincerely,

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