HOUSE BILL 427

F2, J1 7lr0344

By: Delegate Queen

Introduced and read first time: January 26, 2017

Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

4	A 7A T		•
1	AN	ACT	concerning

2

3

Public Institutions of Higher Education – Public Health Advisories – Required Communication

FOR the purpose of requiring the governing body of each public institution of higher education in the State to develop and implement a policy for the timely communication of public health advisories issued by certain entities to students, faculty, staff, and other employees of the institution; requiring certain institutions to send to the Maryland Higher Education Commission a copy of a certain policy on or before a certain date; and generally relating to required communication of public health advisories by public institutions of higher education.

- 11 BY adding to
- 12 Article Education
- 13 Section 15–121
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)
- 16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 17 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 Article - Education

- 19 **15–121.**
- 20 (A) THE GOVERNING BODY OF EACH PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER
- 21 EDUCATION IN THE STATE SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A POLICY FOR THE
- 22 TIMELY COMMUNICATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORIES ISSUED BY THE FEDERAL
- 23 CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 24 HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE TO STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF, AND OTHER
- 25 EMPLOYEES OF THE INSTITUTION.



- 1 (B) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2017, EACH PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF 2 HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL SEND TO THE COMMISSION A COPY OF THE POLICY 3 DEVELOPED UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 5 1, 2017.