## **HOUSE BILL 295**

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HB~872/22-APP

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Assigned to: Appropriations

## A BILL ENTITLED

| 1                         | AN ACT concerning  |
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| 2<br>3<br>4               | University System of Maryland – Student Withdrawal – Reimbursement of<br>Tuition and Fees<br>(Cameron Carden Act of 2023)  |
| 5<br>6<br>7<br>8          | FOR the purpose of requiring constituent institutions and centers of the University System of Maryland to authorize students to withdraw under certain circumstances and to reimburse the student for tuition and fees paid for a certain semester under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the University System of Maryland. |
| 9<br>10<br>11<br>12<br>13 | BY adding to Article – Education Section 12–124 Annotated Code of Maryland (2022 Replacement Volume)   |
| 14<br>15                  | SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:   |
| 16                        | Article - Education  |
| 17                        | 12–124.  |
| 18                        | (A) IN THIS SECTION, "EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES" INCLUDES:   |
| 19                        | (1) ILLNESS;   |
| 20                        | (2) Injury;  |
| 21                        | (3) HOSPITALIZATION; AND   |

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 (4) MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS.
- 2 (B) CONSTITUENT INSTITUTIONS AND CENTERS SHALL AUTHORIZE 3 STUDENTS TO WITHDRAW FOR EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES.
- 4 (C) IF A STUDENT WITHDRAWS FOR EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES, THE 5 CONSTITUENT INSTITUTION OR CENTER SHALL REIMBURSE THE STUDENT ANY 6 TUITION AND FEES PAID BY THE STUDENT FOR THE SEMESTER DURING WHICH THE 7 STUDENT WITHDRAWS.
- 8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 9 1, 2023.