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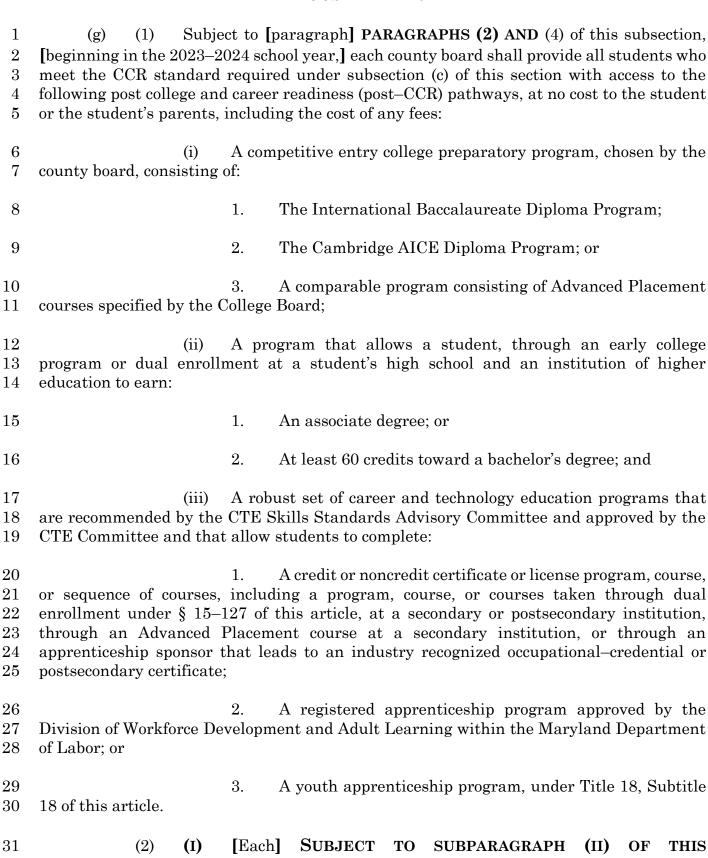
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A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning			
2 3	County Boards of Education - Post College and Career Readiness Pathways - Payment of Costs			
4 5 6 7	FOR the purpose of authorizing a county board of education to develop and establish income eligibility guidelines and procedures for payment of costs for a certain post college and career readiness pathway, except under certain circumstances; and generally relating to post college and career readiness pathways.			
8 9 10 11 12	Article – Education Section 7–205.1(a) Annotated Code of Maryland			
13 14 15 16 17	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Education Section 7–205.1(g) Annotated Code of Maryland (2022 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)			
18 19	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:			
20	Article - Education			
21	7-205.1.			
22 23	(a) In this section, "CCR standard" means the college and career readiness standards established under this section.			





PARAGRAPH, EACH public high school shall provide access to the programs described under paragraph (1) of this subsection through that public school or through another public school in the county.

- 1 (II) 1. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 2 OF
 2 THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, A COUNTY BOARD MAY DEVELOP AND ESTABLISH INCOME
 3 ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES FOR PAYMENT OF COSTS FOR THE
 4 POST-CCR PATHWAY UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(I) OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- 2. A STUDENT WITH A FAMILY INCOME BELOW 400% OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL SHALL BE PROVIDED ACCESS TO THE POST-CCR PATHWAY UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(I) OF THIS SUBSECTION AT NO COST TO THE STUDENT OR THE STUDENT'S PARENTS.
- 9 (3) (i) Each student who meets the CCR standard required under 10 subsection (c) of this section shall be enrolled in at least one post–CCR pathway described 11 in paragraph (1) of this subsection.
- 12 (ii) Each student who enrolls in a post–CCR pathway shall remain 13 enrolled in the student's public high school.
- 14 (iii) Each public high school shall provide to every student, regardless 15 of whether the student is enrolled in a post–CCR pathway, the full range of services to 16 which the student is entitled, including:
- 17 1. Personal, career, and academic advising; and

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- 18 2. Counseling, in accordance with § 7–126 of this title, to help 19 the student choose one or more post–CCR pathways, or courses within a post–CCR 20 pathway, that fits with the student's educational and career goals.
 - (iv) Priority for counseling and advising services described under subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph shall be given to students who have not met the CCR standard by the end of 10th grade.
 - (v) Any high school graduation requirements that a student does not meet by the time the student has completed the assessment required under subsection (d) of this section shall be provided within the post–CCR pathway the student chooses.
- 27 **(4)** To phase in expansion of dual enrollment to maximize the number of 28 students who can earn the maximum number of dual enrollment credits consistent with 29 the phased increases in school funding, for fiscal years 2025 through 2027, the State Board and the Accountability and Implementation Board, in consultation with each local school 30 system, may limit the number and types of courses that a student dually enrolled at the 31 32 student's public high school and at an institution of higher education may enroll in during 33 the school year at the institution of higher education as part of the post-CCR pathway in 34 accordance with paragraph (1) of this subsection and § 15–127 of this article.
- 35 (5) (i) The State Board shall adopt regulations to carry out this 36 subsection.

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1	(ii)	The r	regulations shall include standards that:
2 3	in the quality of the post-	1. -CCR	Guarantee, to the extent practicable, statewide uniformity pathways;
$\frac{4}{5}$	and	2.	Meet the requirements of paragraph (1) of this subsection
6 7	any programs administer	3. ed in a	Require high school graduation credit to be awarded for accordance with this subsection.
8	SECTION 2. AND 1, 2025.	BE IT	FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July