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RI000A
Maryland Higher Education Commission
Community College Facilities Grant Program (Statewide)

Testimony of the Maryland Higher Education Commission to the
House Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital Budget and
Senate Budget and Taxation Subcommittee on Capital Budget

March 20 & 23, 2015

Responses to Recommended Bond Actions

1. Reduce general obligation bond support to community colleges by \$3 million.

RI00A Community College Facilities Grant Program.....\$54,926,000

Strike and add the following language:

Community College Facilities Grant Program. Provide funds to assist the subdivisions in the acquisition of property and in the design, construction, renovation, and equipping of local and regional community college buildings, site improvements, and facilities. The funds appropriated for this purpose shall be administered in accordance with Section 11–105(j) of the Education Article, provided that notwithstanding Section 6 of this Act, work may commence on each of these projects prior to the appropriation of all funds necessary to complete the project.

- ~~(2) Community College of Baltimore County – Essex Health Careers and Technology Building Renovation and Expansion Project (Baltimore County)~~
- (2) Community College of Baltimore County – Historic Hilton Mansion Rehabilitation Project (Baltimore County)

<u>Allowance</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Authorization</u>
57,926,000	-3,000,000	54,926,000

Explanation: This action uses an additional \$3 million in the community college facilities grant program’s fund balance in place of general obligation bond support in fiscal 2016.

MHEC Concurs with this recommendation.

2. This adds two pre-authorizations for community college projects.

ZF5800	Section 12 – Maryland Higher Education Commission – Community College Facilities Grant Program	\$0
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Amend the following language:

- (A) Community College Facilities Grant Program. Provide funds to assist the subdivisions in the acquisition of property and in the design, construction, renovation, and equipping of local and regional community college buildings, site improvements, and facilities. The funds appropriated for this purpose shall be administered in accordance with §11–105(j) of the Education Article..

46,648,000

50,945,000

- (7) Community College of Baltimore County – Historic Hilton Mansion Rehabilitation Project 1,244,000

- (8) Wor-Wic Community College – Academic and Administrative Building and Maner Technology Center Renovation..... 3,053,000

Explanation: This language adds a general obligation bond preauthorization for the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2016 for the Community College of Baltimore County – Historic Hilton Mansion Rehabilitation Project and the Wor-Wic Community College – Academic and Administrative Building and Maner Technology Center Renovation.

MHEC concurs with this recommendation.

3. Approve the one pre-authorization for the Community College Facilities Grant Program for fiscal 2018.

MHEC concurs with this recommendation.