

- (3) FOR ANY CREDIT OR NONCREDIT COURSE; AND
- (4) FOR AS MANY AS THREE COURSES PER TERM.

(C) A SENIOR CITIZEN ENROLLED IN CLASSES UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (B) MAY NOT BE COUNTED IN DETERMINING THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN THE CLASS FOR ANY PURPOSE, INCLUDING COMPUTING THE FACULTY COMPENSATION FOR TEACHING THAT CLASS, STUDENT-INSTRUCTOR RATIO, BUDGETARY ALLOCATIONS, AND SCHOOL POPULATION.

(D) AT THE TERMINATION OF EACH REGISTRATION PERIOD, THE INSTITUTION SHALL FURNISH THE BOARD A LIST OF ALL SENIOR CITIZENS TAKING CLASSES UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, AND THE COURSES TAKEN BY EACH.

(E) THIS SECTION SHALL NOT PRECLUDE AN INSTITUTION FROM OFFERING SENIOR CITIZENS EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FREE OF CHARGE BEYOND THESE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.

~~(F) -- THE -- PROVISIONS -- OF -- THIS -- SECTION -- SHALL -- APPLY -- TO -- § 16-205B -- OF -- THIS -- ARTICLE.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981.

May 19, 1981

The Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 1593.

This bill exempts those senior citizens whose incomes are less than the maximum allowable social security benefit from payment of tuitions at State colleges and universities governed by the Board of Trustees of the State Universities and Colleges. The bill does not cover the University of Maryland, Morgan State University, or St. Mary's College. Consequently, if it were implemented, there would be widely different tuition waiver policies among the several State institutions of higher education.

In addition, because current college policies allow a waiver of tuition for all senior citizens, regardless of income, the effect of this bill would be to reduce the number of senior citizens eligible for assistance by as much as two-thirds.