

Section 8-103, 9-303.1, and 9-1003  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1984 Volume and 1987 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation  
 Section 5-901(2)  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1977 Volume and 1987 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation  
 Section 13-613, 15-701 and 21-803.2  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1987 Replacement Volume)

#### Preamble

The General Assembly finds it in the public interest to create a well-planned and coordinated system of postsecondary education; to redefine coordinating functions of the State Board for Higher Education by creating a new Maryland Higher Education Commission; to merge the administration of State scholarship, grant-in-aid, and tuition assistance programs under the Commission; and to establish a single Board of Regents to govern the University of Maryland campuses and components and the State Universities and Colleges. Reconstituted coordinating and governing systems of higher education will foster improved quality and greater diversity in educational opportunity and strengthen undergraduate programs, graduate training, and research centers.

It shall further be the policy of the State to afford the fullest degree of managerial efficiency and fiscal flexibility for the strengthened University of Maryland System, and to promote individual institution and campus autonomy within the controlling limits established by the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland System. Each institution and campus shall be given sufficient resources to develop unique strengths, teaching methods, and research activities which promote individual campus character and identity. The University of Maryland System shall provide excellence in education, research, and public service in each region of the State. The mission of the University of Maryland at College Park as the State's principal comprehensive, doctoral, degree-granting land grant public research campus shall be preserved and enhanced, and a second principal center of research expertise and graduate and professional education in the Baltimore metropolitan area will be