

~~WHEREAS, The consolidation of the University of Maryland College Park and the programs of the University of Maryland University College should may have the potential of enhancing the flagship institution's statewide mission while providing increased continuing education opportunities at all levels that are of moderate cost to the State's part time students and that are responsive to the needs of both employees and employers; and~~

~~WHEREAS, The consolidation of these programs should result in increased administrative efficiency; and~~

WHEREAS, Adding continuing professional and technical education to the mission of the University of Maryland College Park should may ensure that the flagship institution's programs will meet increasing needs of Marylanders for lifelong learning opportunities; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That authority is hereby given pursuant to § 12-104(e)(2) and (3) of the Education Article for the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland System to merge, consolidate, and unify the programs of the constituent institution known as the University of Maryland University College into the constituent institution known as the University of Maryland College Park, and to do all things necessary or proper in connection therewith, if, in the judgment of the Board of Regents, such mergers, consolidations, closures, and unification of its constituent institutions or their programs are deemed in the best interests of the State.

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if the Board of Regents determines that another, more efficient method of providing continuing education to the citizens of the State exists of the University of Maryland System shall undertake a study to comprehensively and broadly assess the current status of continuing education in Maryland. The Board of Regents shall include in the study an assessment to determine if it is feasible to combine:~~

~~(1) the advantages of the diverse and broad scope of course offerings and faculty capabilities at the University of Maryland at College Park,~~

~~(2) the effective delivery systems for educational programs of the University of Maryland University College, and~~

~~(3) the wide-ranging strengths and capabilities of the other constituent institutions of the University of Maryland System, in a way that will bring about a continuing education system that efficiently and effectively meets the needs of the changing nature of the student populations that are seeking continuing education in Maryland that enhances the flagship responsibilities of the University of Maryland College Park and is consistent with Chapter 246 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1988, the 1988. The Board of Regents shall report its findings to the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee no later than ~~October~~ November 1, 1993.~~

~~SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, to the extent it is affected by this Act and to the extent deemed appropriate by the Board of Regents, the University of Maryland College Park shall be the successor of the University of Maryland~~