

~~(a)~~ (B) (1) A president of a ~~constituent institution of the University System of Maryland~~ PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION may propose to establish a new program or abolish an existing program if the action:

(i) Is consistent with the institution's adopted mission statement under Subtitle 3 of this title; and

(ii) Can be implemented within the existing program resources of the institution.

(2) A PRESIDENT OF A NONPUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION MAY PROPOSE TO ESTABLISH A NEW PROGRAM IF THE ACTION:

(I) IS CONSISTENT WITH THE MISSION STATEMENT PUBLISHED IN THE OFFICIAL CATALOG OF THE NONPUBLIC INSTITUTION; AND

(II) CAN BE IMPLEMENTED WITHIN THE EXISTING RESOURCES OF THE INSTITUTION.

~~(2)~~ (3) The president OF A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION shall report any programs that are proposed to be established or abolished in accordance with paragraph (1) of this subsection to:

(i) The institution's governing board; and

(ii) The Maryland Higher Education Commission.

(4) THE PRESIDENT OF A NONPUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL REPORT ANY PROGRAMS THAT ARE PROPOSED TO BE ESTABLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION TO THE COMMISSION.

~~(3)~~ (5) Upon receipt of a proposed new program, the Commission shall notify all other institutions of higher education in the State.

~~(b)~~ (C) The ~~institution's governing board~~ GOVERNING BOARD OF A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION shall:

(1) Review the actions taken under subsection ~~(a)~~ (B) of this section;

(2) Ensure that any new program proposed to be established by a president:

(i) Is consistent with the institution's approved mission statement under Subtitle 3 of this title;

(II) MEETS A REGIONAL OR STATEWIDE NEED CONSISTENT WITH THE MARYLAND STATE PLAN FOR POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION;

~~(ii)~~ (III) Meets criteria for the quality of new programs, developed in consultation with the Commission; and