

~~(11) "State share" means the amount of money for community college operating funds to be provided each fiscal year to a board by the State.~~

~~(12) "Student credit hours" means student credit hours or contact hours which are eligible, under the regulations issued by the Maryland Higher Education Commission, for inclusion in State funding calculations.~~

~~(13) "Total State operating fund" means the sum of community college State appropriations for direct grants.~~

~~(e) (1) (i) The total State operating fund per full time equivalent student to the community colleges for each fiscal year as requested by the Governor shall be:~~

~~1. In fiscal year 2007, not less than an amount equal to 25% of the State's General Fund appropriation per full time equivalent student to the 4 year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the previous fiscal year;~~

~~2. In fiscal [year 2008] YEARS 2008 THROUGH 2011, not less than an amount equal to 25.5% of the State's General Fund appropriation per full time equivalent student to the 4 year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the previous fiscal year;~~

~~3. In fiscal year [2009] 2012, not less than an amount equal to 26.25% of the State's General Fund appropriation per full time equivalent student to the 4 year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the [previous] fiscal year FOR WHICH THE REQUEST IS MADE;~~

~~4. In fiscal year [2010] 2013, not less than an amount equal to 27% of the State's General Fund appropriation per full time equivalent student to the 4 year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program under Title 17 of this article in the [previous] fiscal year FOR WHICH THE REQUEST IS MADE;~~

~~5. In fiscal year [2011] 2014, not less than an amount equal to 28% of the State's General Fund appropriation per full time equivalent student to the 4 year public institutions of higher education in the State as designated by the Commission for the purpose of administering the Joseph A. Sellinger Program~~