## Section 3

## Preamble

WHEREAS, There is a need for an effective comprehensive urban community college in Baltimore City offering educational programs that will stimulate the participation of individuals, be responsive to the needs of the community, and prepare individuals to be qualified participants in the region's economy; and

WHEREAS, The Maryland General Assembly in 1990 made a commitment to provide an adequate level of funding to Baltimore City Community College to correct a history of underfunding at the college; and

WHEREAS, Baltimore City Community College is the only Maryland public community college not affected by the funding mechanism enacted for the other seventeen community colleges in 1996; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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## 16-502.

- (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) "Board of Trustees" means the Board of Trustees of Baltimore City Community College.
- (c) "College" means Baltimore City Community College, formerly known as the New Community College of Baltimore.
  - (d) "Commission" means the Maryland Higher Education Commission.
- (E) "FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT STUDENT" MEANS THE QUOTIENT OF THE NUMBER OF STUDENT CREDIT HOURS PRODUCED IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2 YEARS PRIOR TO THE FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH THE STATE APPROPRIATION IS CALCULATED DIVIDED BY 30, AS CERTIFIED BY THE MARYLAND HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION.
- [(e)] (F) "Officer" means the president and the vice presidents of the College and other officers as shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees.
  - [(f)] (G) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Higher Education.
- (H) "STATE APPROPRIATION" MEANS THE AMOUNT OF MONEY FOR BALTIMORE CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE OPERATING FUNDS TO BE PROVIDED EACH FISCAL YEAR TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES BY THE STATE.
- (I) "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.