

CHAPTER 642

(Senate Bill 710)

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education - Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine

FOR the purpose of furthering the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine; providing that the College is subject to ~~provisions relating to the Maryland Higher Education Commission~~ the terms and conditions set forth in certain agreements for a regional program in veterinary medical education; establishing the terms under which the College will operate; providing for the composition of the student body; establishing a Budget and Program Review Board; providing for the membership of the Board; stating the functions of the Board; providing for the fiscal support of the Board; providing for how the actual costs of the professional instructional program of the College will be determined; requiring that the Board receive certain data in order to determine the actual costs of the professional instructional program of the College; ~~establishing how the general fund contributions requested from each state will be calculated~~ requiring the State of Maryland to provide a certain level of general funds; and generally relating to the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine.

BY adding to

Article - Education

Section 13-801 through 13-804, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 8. Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

Preamble

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland and the Commonwealth of Virginia agreed in 1980 to establish a regional college of veterinary medicine with campuses at both Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and University of Maryland, College Park; and

WHEREAS, The Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine represents a unique partnership which builds on the strengths of each state while reducing the financial burden of the costs of veterinary professional education; and

WHEREAS, Over 1,000 veterinarians have graduated from the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine, many of whom are employed throughout Maryland in key positions for the protection and improvement of animal and human health; now, therefore,