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The Honorable Bill Ferguson
President
Senate of Maryland
H-107 State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones
Speaker
Maryland House of Delegates
H-101 State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Report # 12697 Report on Exemption from
Nonresident Tuition for Qualified Children of
Undocumented Immigrants

Dear President Ferguson and Speaker Jones:

In accordance with Education Article §15-106.8, the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC) presents the information below on nonresident tuition exemptions for qualified children of undocumented immigrants. The following data are an aggregation of submissions provided by all public postsecondary institutions in the State¹.

| Term | Community Colleges | | Public Four-Year Institutions | |
|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | Total Number of Students | Total Student Savings | Total Number of Students | Total Student Savings |
| Summer 2021 | 235 | \$172,133 | 36 | \$139,514 |
| Fall 2021 | 482 | \$1,064,073 | 122 | \$1,061,153 |
| Winter 2021-22 | 103 | \$25,574 | 12 | \$36,665 |
| Spring 2022 | 454 | \$893,352 | 121 | \$1,058,947 |
| TOTALS | ** | \$2,155,132 | ** | \$2,296,279 |

**Annual student totals are not provided, as individual recipients may have been enrolled across multiple terms during the year. Student headcount data are aggregated at the term level to protect student privacy. Term figures may not sum to totals due to rounding.

In total, students from 23 public postsecondary institutions (14 community colleges and nine public four-year institutions) benefited from the nonresident tuition exemption authorized under the Article. Total student savings equaled \$4,451,411. The remaining four public postsecondary institutions indicated that no students benefited from the tuition exemption.

- At the 14 Maryland community colleges at which the nonresident tuition exemption was used, the largest number of students to benefit from the nonresident tuition exemption were enrolled during the

¹ Two institutions, Cecil College and University of Maryland, Baltimore, did not submit the required data by the submission deadline.

Fall 2021 semester, with 482 total students. Over the 2021-2022 reporting period, this exemption resulted in a total student savings of \$2,155,132.

- At the nine Maryland public four-year institutions at which the nonresident tuition exemption was used, the largest number of to benefit from the nonresident tuition exemption were enrolled during the Fall 2021 semester, with 122 total students. Over the 2021-2022 reporting period, this exemption resulted in a total student savings of \$2,296,279.

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me or Dr. Barbara Schmertz, Director of Research & Policy Analysis at barbara.schmertz@maryland.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James D. Fielder, Jr." The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Dr. James D. Fielder, Jr.
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