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The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.  
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H-107 State House  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

The Honorable Michael E. Busch  
Speaker  
Maryland House of Delegates  
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**Re: *Report on the Private Donation Incentive  
Program (PDIP)  
Report #517***

Dear President Miller and Speaker Busch,

As stated in §17-306 of the Education Article:

“The Maryland Higher Education Commission shall:

(2) Submit to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly an annual report summarizing the total amount of funds pledged by eligible private donors and total amount of funds raised.”

The Private Donation Incentive Program (PDIP) was a program created in §17-301 of the Education Article that provided State-matching funds to promote private fundraising within Maryland’s public colleges and universities. This program ended on January 1, 2010, and has not been re-authorized.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please feel free to contact Mr. Lee Towers at 410-767-3059, or [lee.towers@maryland.gov](mailto:lee.towers@maryland.gov).

Sincerely,

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Secretary