HOUSE BILL 942

ENROLLED BILL
—Health and Government Operations/Finance—

Introduced by Delegate Nathan–Pulliam

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
_____ day of ____________ at ____________________ o’clock, ______M.

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Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning


3 FOR the purpose of requiring colleges and universities, colleges, and
4 programs of medicine, nursing, pharmacy, and dentistry in the State to submit
5 a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly and to the Office
6 of Minority Health and Health Disparities on or before a certain date; and
7 generally relating to universities and colleges, universities, colleges, and
8 programs of medicine, nursing, pharmacy, and dentistry and a certain report.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Health – General
11 Section 20–1001(a) and (d) and 20–1004(15)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.
Strikeout indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by
amendment.
Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.
SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Health – General

20–1001.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(d) "Office" means the Maryland Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities established under § 20–1002 of this subtitle.

20–1004.

The Office shall:

(15) Work collaboratively with universities and colleges of medicine, nursing, pharmacy, and dentistry in this State and other health care professional training programs to develop courses with cultural competency, sensitivity, and health literacy, that are designed to address the problem of racial and ethnic disparities in health care access, utilization, treatment decisions, quality, and outcomes;

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1, 2008, universities and colleges, and higher education programs of medicine, nursing, pharmacy, and dentistry in the State, shall report to the Senate Finance Committee, the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee, the House Health and Government Operations Committee, and the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, on the courses that have been developed independently by the colleges and universities that comply with the requirements under § 20–1004(15) of the Health – General Article.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2008.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.