Federal Judge Approves \$577M Settlement for Maryland's Historically Black Universities

"A federal judge approved a deal Wednesday for Maryland to settle a long-running lawsuit over the state's treatment of its four historically Black universities with \$555 million in extra funding over 10 years, clearing the last major hurdle to end a legal battle launched in 2006," reports Bryn Stole in the *Baltimore Sun's Politics*.

"The lawsuit, filed by alumni and supporters of the schools, argued the state systematically undermined the institutions even after the end of legal segregation and made it difficult for Bowie State University, Coppin State University and Morgan State University in Baltimore, and the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore, to compete with the state's other public universities for students and resources."

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