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Bison Edge Hornets in Closing Moments in a High-Scoring Thriller, (100-94)

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USPA NEWS - The photo freezes an electrifying moment in Howard Bison's hard-fought battle against the Delaware State Hornets. Sophomore guard Marcus Dockery, wearing jersey #5, is caught mid-air in a decisive play late in the second half. Dockery, with laser focus, drives to the basket, leaping over a towering Delaware State defender. His athleticism is on full display as he twists his body to evade the block, his right hand delicately guiding the ball toward the glass. This single snapshot tells the story of the game's pivotal moment—when Dockery's fearless drive not only extended Howard's lead but energized his teammates and the crowd. It's a play that exemplifies the heart and hustle of the Bison's sophomore guard.

The Howard Bison secured a 100-94 win over Delaware State on January 4, 2025, at Burr Gymnasium. Howard came out strong, shooting 59.6% from the field and an incredible 100% (27-for-27) from the free-throw line. Blake Harper led the way with 34 points and six rebounds, while Cameron Shockley-Okeke added 24 points, including six three-pointers. Delaware State mounted a strong challenge, with Martaz Robinson leading all scorers with 28 points, six rebounds, and four assists. Robert Smith contributed 27 points, and Kaseem Watson added 22. The Hornets narrowed the gap to 57-56 early in the second half, but Howard's efficient offense kept them at bay. Marcus Dockery chipped in with 19 points, and the Bison's perfect free-throw shooting proved crucial in maintaining their lead. Howard shot 50% from three-point range, compared to Delaware State's 30%. Despite committing 18 turnovers, the Bison's shooting and clutch free throws were key to their victory, improving their season record.

Key Players:

- Howard: Blake Harper (34), Cameron Shockley-Okeke (24)
- Delaware State: Martaz Robinson (28), Robert Smith (27)

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