

HOUSE BILL 1317

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ENROLLED BILL

— Appropriations/Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs —

Introduced by **Delegates Rosenberg, Bohanan, and A. Miller**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education – Maryland Technology Internship Program**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Technology Internship Program;
4 establishing certain purposes of the Program; requiring ~~the Shriver Center~~
5 ~~located at~~ the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC) to administer
6 the Program and, in collaboration with the Department of Business and
7 Economic Development, undertake certain activities to carry out the purposes of
8 the Program; establishing certain eligibility requirements for participation in
9 the Program; requiring ~~the Shriver Center~~ UMBC to develop a process for
10 tracking and assessing certain outcomes; requiring ~~the Shriver Center~~ UMBC
11 to obtain feedback from Program participants at certain times; authorizing the use
12 of certain awards to reimburse certain businesses for up to a certain percentage
13 of the amount paid to an intern up to a certain amount; requiring ~~the Shriver~~
14 ~~Center~~ UMBC to prepare a certain annual report; requiring the Governor to
15 make an appropriation in the State budget for a certain purpose; defining

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland Technology Internship
2 Program.

3 BY adding to

4 Article – Education

5 Section 18–3001 through 18–3010 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 30.
6 Maryland Technology Internship Program”

7 Annotated Code of Maryland

8 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
10 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

11 **Article – Education**

12 **SUBTITLE 30. MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.**

13 **18–3001.**

14 (A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
15 INDICATED.

16 (B) “PROGRAM” MEANS THE MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY INTERNSHIP
17 PROGRAM.

18 ~~(C) “SHRIVER CENTER” MEANS THE SHRIVER CENTER LOCATED AT~~
19 ~~THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE COUNTY.~~

20 ~~(D)~~ (C) “TECHNOLOGY–BASED BUSINESS” MEANS A COMMERCIAL OR
21 AN INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISE ENGAGED IN THE APPLICATION OF SCIENTIFIC
22 KNOWLEDGE TO PRACTICAL PURPOSES IN A PARTICULAR FIELD.

23 (D) “UMBC” MEANS THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, BALTIMORE
24 COUNTY.

25 **18–3002.**

26 **THERE IS A MARYLAND TECHNOLOGY INTERNSHIP PROGRAM.**

27 **18–3003.**

28 **THE PURPOSES OF THE PROGRAM ARE TO:**

1 (1) CONNECT COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY STUDENTS, RECENT
2 GRADUATES, AND VETERANS WITH SMALL INNOVATIVE BUSINESSES IN THE
3 HIGH-GROWTH TECHNOLOGY SECTOR THROUGH INTERNSHIPS;

4 (2) ENCOURAGE HIGH-ACHIEVING STUDENTS AT INSTITUTIONS
5 OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE TO REMAIN IN THE STATE AFTER
6 GRADUATION;

7 (3) INCREASE STUDENT UNDERSTANDING OF EMPLOYMENT
8 OPPORTUNITIES IN THE STATE;

9 (4) CREATE CONNECTIONS BETWEEN STUDENTS AND
10 COMMUNITY BUSINESS LEADERS AND ENTREPRENEURS AND DEVELOP
11 OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENT INVOLVEMENT IN COMMUNITIES;

12 (5) ASSIST SMALL TECHNOLOGY-BASED BUSINESSES IN
13 DEVELOPING INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS AND RECRUITING FUTURE EMPLOYEES;
14 AND

15 (6) FOSTER BUSINESS RETENTION AND DEVELOPMENT, JOB
16 CREATION, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, AND NEW INVESTMENT IN THE STATE.

17 18-3004.

18 (A) ~~THE SHRIVER CENTER~~ UMBC SHALL ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM.

19 (B) TO CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THE PROGRAM, ~~THE SHRIVER~~
20 ~~CENTER~~ UMBC, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS
21 AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, SHALL:

22 (1) ESTABLISH AN INTERNET ~~PORTAL~~ SITE THROUGH WHICH:

23 (I) STUDENTS MAY ~~APPLY ONLINE TO BE MATCHED WITH~~
24 LEARN ABOUT TECHNOLOGY-BASED BUSINESSES AND INTERNSHIP
25 OPPORTUNITIES; AND

26 (II) TECHNOLOGY-BASED BUSINESSES MAY REGISTER,
27 POST INFORMATION ABOUT INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES, AND APPLY FOR
28 REIMBURSEMENT OF INTERNSHIP STIPENDS AS PROVIDED UNDER THIS
29 SUBTITLE;

30 (2) DEVELOP APPLICATION AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS;

1 **(3) DEVELOP ORIENTATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR**
2 **PARTICIPANTS IN THE PROGRAM;**

3 **(4) REVIEW APPLICATIONS AND AWARD REIMBURSEMENTS OF**
4 **INTERNSHIP STIPENDS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE;**

5 **(5) PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TO MEET**
6 **ENTREPRENEURS AND VISIT TECHNOLOGY-RELATED INDUSTRY INCUBATORS**
7 **AND LEARN ABOUT STARTING A BUSINESS IN THE STATE;**

8 **(6) PROVIDE RECRUITMENT AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND**
9 **SUPPORT FOR PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES; AND**

10 **(7) TRACK AND ASSESS PROGRAM OUTCOMES.**

11 **18-3005.**

12 **TO QUALIFY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM, AN INDIVIDUAL**
13 **SHALL:**

14 **(1) (I) 1. BE A STUDENT ENROLLED AT ~~AN~~ A PUBLIC OR**
15 **PRIVATE NONPROFIT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE THAT**
16 **POSSESSES A CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL FROM THE COMMISSION; AND**

17 **2. MAINTAIN A CUMULATIVE 3.0 GRADE POINT**
18 **AVERAGE ON A 4.0 SCALE EACH ACADEMIC YEAR;**

19 **(II) 1. WITHIN 12 MONTHS BEFORE THE DATE OF**
20 **APPLICATION FOR THE PROGRAM, HAVE GRADUATED FROM ~~AN~~ A PUBLIC OR**
21 **PRIVATE NONPROFIT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE THAT**
22 **POSSESSES A CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL FROM THE COMMISSION; AND**

23 **2. HAVE MAINTAINED A CUMULATIVE 3.0 GRADE**
24 **POINT AVERAGE ON A 4.0 SCALE DURING THE LATEST ACADEMIC YEAR THE**
25 **INDIVIDUAL WAS ENROLLED AS A STUDENT; ~~OR~~**

26 **(III) 1. BE A STUDENT ENROLLED AT ~~AN~~ A PUBLIC OR**
27 **PRIVATE NONPROFIT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE**
28 **STATE, IF THE STUDENT GRADUATED FROM A HIGH SCHOOL IN THE STATE; AND**

29 **2. MAINTAIN A CUMULATIVE 3.0 GRADE POINT**
30 **AVERAGE ON A 4.0 SCALE EACH ACADEMIC YEAR; OR**

1 (IV) 1. ~~BE A VETERAN~~ HAVE BEEN HONORABLY
2 DISCHARGED FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES, THE NATIONAL
3 GUARD, OR A RESERVE COMPONENT OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES
4 WITHIN 18 MONTHS OF THE DATE OF APPLICATION;

5 2. BE A RESIDENT OF MARYLAND; AND

6 3. HAVE GRADUATED FROM A ~~2-YEAR OR 4-YEAR~~
7 PUBLIC OR PRIVATE NONPROFIT INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION;

8 (2) COMMIT TO WORKING ~~AT LEAST 10 HOURS EACH WEEK OR A~~
9 TOTAL A MINIMUM OF 120 HOURS DURING A SPRING, FALL, OR SUMMER
10 SEMESTER;

11 (3) ATTEND AN ORIENTATION SESSION PROVIDED OR APPROVED
12 BY ~~THE SHRIVER CENTER~~ UMBC; AND

13 (4) MEET ANY OTHER CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY ~~THE SHRIVER~~
14 ~~CENTER~~ UMBC.

15 **18-3006.**

16 **TO QUALIFY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM, A BUSINESS SHALL:**

17 (1) **BE LOCATED IN THE STATE;**

18 (2) **BE A TECHNOLOGY-BASED BUSINESS;**

19 (3) **HAVE NOT MORE THAN 150 EMPLOYEES;**

20 (4) COMMIT TO HOSTING AN INTERN FOR ~~AT LEAST 10 HOURS~~
21 ~~EACH WEEK OR A TOTAL~~ A MINIMUM OF 120 HOURS DURING A SPRING, FALL, OR
22 SUMMER SEMESTER;

23 (5) PROVIDE A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF AN INTERN POSITION
24 WITH THE BUSINESS; AND

25 (6) PROVIDE PROOF THAT A REPRESENTATIVE HAS ATTENDED AN
26 ORIENTATION OR TRAINING PROGRAM PROVIDED OR APPROVED BY ~~THE~~
27 ~~SHRIVER CENTER~~ UMBC.

28 **18-3007.**

1 (A) ~~THE SHRIVER CENTER~~ UMBC SHALL DEVELOP A PROCESS FOR
2 TRACKING AND ASSESSING THE OUTCOMES OF THE PROGRAM, INCLUDING:

3 (1) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS AND BUSINESSES
4 PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM;

5 (2) THE LOCATIONS OF PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES;

6 (3) THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPATING STUDENTS REMAINING IN
7 THE STATE AFTER GRADUATION;

8 (4) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEE HIRES RESULTING FROM
9 INTERNSHIPS;

10 (5) THE EFFECT OF THE PROGRAM ON STUDENT
11 UNDERSTANDING OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENTREPRENEURS AND SMALL
12 BUSINESSES IN THE STATE;

13 (6) STUDENT SKILL GROWTH RESULTING FROM INTERNSHIP
14 EXPERIENCES;

15 (7) BUSINESS GROWTH OR IMPROVEMENT RESULTING FROM
16 INTERNSHIPS; AND

17 (8) THE EFFECT OF THE PROGRAM ON RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN
18 BUSINESSES AND INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE.

19 (B) ~~THE SHRIVER CENTER~~ UMBC SHALL OBTAIN FEEDBACK FROM
20 PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS:

21 (1) AT THE CONCLUSION OF ANY ORIENTATION OR TRAINING
22 PROGRAM;

23 (2) AT THE CONCLUSION OF EACH INTERNSHIP; AND

24 (3) AT THE FOLLOWING INTERVALS AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF
25 EACH INTERNSHIP:

26 (I) 3 MONTHS;

27 (II) 6 MONTHS;

28 (III) 1 YEAR;

1 (IV) 2 YEARS; AND

2 (V) 3 YEARS.

3 18-3008.

4 MONEY AWARDED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE:

5 (1) MAY BE USED TO REIMBURSE A TECHNOLOGY-BASED
6 BUSINESS UP TO 50% OF A STIPEND PAID TO AN INTERN, BUT NOT MORE THAN:

7 (I) \$1,800 FOR THE FIRST SEMESTER; AND

8 (II) \$1,200 FOR THE SECOND SEMESTER; AND

9 (2) MAY TOTAL NOT MORE THAN \$3,000 EACH YEAR FOR EACH
10 ~~BUSINESS~~ INTERN.

11 18-3009.

12 (A) AT THE END OF EACH FISCAL YEAR, ~~THE SHRIVER CENTER~~ UMBC
13 SHALL PREPARE AN ANNUAL REPORT ~~OF THE FUND~~ THAT INCLUDES AN
14 ACCOUNTING OF ALL FINANCIAL RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES THAT RELATE
15 TO THE PROGRAM.

16 (B) ~~THE SHRIVER CENTER~~ UMBC SHALL SUBMIT A COPY OF THE
17 REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE
18 STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

19 18-3010.

20 THE GOVERNOR ANNUALLY SHALL INCLUDE FUNDS IN THE STATE
21 BUDGET FOR:

22 (1) THE REIMBURSEMENT OF INTERNSHIP STIPENDS UNDER THIS
23 SUBTITLE; AND

24 (2) ~~THE SHRIVER CENTER~~ UMBC TO ADMINISTER THE
25 PROGRAM.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 July 1, 2014.