

Chapter 96

**(House Bill 905)**

AN ACT concerning

**Education – Workforce Development Sequence Scholarships – Eligibility**

FOR the purpose of expanding program eligibility for Workforce Development Sequence Scholarships by altering a certain definition to include certain students enrolled directly in certain registered apprenticeship programs; and generally relating to Workforce Development Sequence Scholarships.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Education  
Section 18–3301  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article – Education  
Section 18–3302  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

**Article – Education**

18–3301.

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

(b) “Eligible student” means a student who[:

(1) Is] **IS** a Maryland resident, or has graduated from a Maryland high school[;], and:

**[(2)] (1)** Is enrolled in a Workforce Development Sequence at a public community college in the State; **OR**

**(2) ~~IS (1) IS A FIRST-YEAR STUDENT WHO IS NOT RECEIVING FEDERAL OR STATE FINANCIAL AID; AND~~**

**~~(H)~~ IS ENROLLED DIRECTLY IN A REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM THAT PARTNERS WITH A PUBLIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE STATE.**

(c) (1) “Workforce Development Sequence” means:

(i) A program offered by a community college that is approved by the Commission and is composed of courses that are related to:

1. Job preparation or an apprenticeship;
2. Licensure or certification; or
3. Job skill enhancement; or

(ii) A registered apprenticeship program approved by the Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning in the Maryland Department of Labor.

(2) “Workforce Development Sequence” does not include a sequence of courses leading to an associate’s or bachelor’s degree.

(d) “Workforce Development Sequence Scholarship” means an award made to an eligible student under this subtitle.

18–3302.

There is a Workforce Development Sequence Scholarship administered by the Office.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

**Approved by the Governor, April 13, 2021.**