

HOUSE BILL 246

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CF SB 554

By: **Delegates Hill and R. Lewis**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education – Returned Peace Corps Volunteers – In-State Tuition**

3 FOR the purpose of exempting returned Peace Corps volunteers who are domiciled in the
4 State from paying nonresident tuition at a public institution of higher education in
5 the State under certain circumstances; establishing that certain students shall be
6 included as in-State residents for the computation of State aid to community
7 colleges; requiring the Maryland Higher Education Commission to adopt certain
8 regulations; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the residency
9 requirement for in-State tuition purposes.

10 BY adding to
11 Article – Education
12 Section 15–106.11
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Education**

18 **15–106.11.**

19 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “RETURNED PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER” MEANS A**

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.



1 PERSON WHO HAS BEEN CERTIFIED BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE PEACE CORPS AS
2 HAVING SERVED SATISFACTORILY AS A PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER.

3 (B) A RETURNED PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER WHO ATTENDS A PUBLIC
4 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE IS EXEMPT FROM PAYING
5 NONRESIDENT TUITION AT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS
6 STATE IF THE RETURNED PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER IS DOMICILED IN THIS STATE.

7 (C) A STUDENT WHO ATTENDS A COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE STATE AND
8 PAYS TUITION AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE
9 INCLUDED AS AN IN-STATE RESIDENT FOR COMPUTATION OF STATE AID TO
10 COMMUNITY COLLEGES IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 16-305 OF THIS ARTICLE.

11 ~~(C)~~ (D) THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT
12 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
14 1, 2021.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.