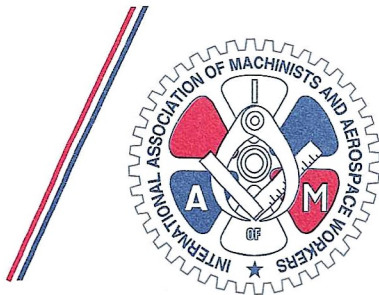


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Support: HB529 - Edward T. and Mary A. Conroy Memorial Scholarship Program - Veterans - Number of Eligible Recipients

Dear Delegates,

On behalf of the 600,000 active and retired members of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAM), which includes tens of thousands of U.S. Armed Forces Veterans, **I support and urge passage of HB529 Edward T. and Mary A. Conroy Memorial Scholarship Program - Veterans - Number of Eligible Recipients.**

This legislation removes the cap on the number of Veterans who can receive a scholarship under the Edward T. and Mary A. Conroy Memorial Scholarship Program, providing additional educational opportunities for those who have given so much for this great nation. Growing education opportunities aligns with our union's platform to promote efforts to assist U.S. Armed Forces Veterans.

The IAM is based in Upper Marlboro, MD. In Maryland alone, IAM members work at facilities such as at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Naval Air Station Patuxent River and Joint Base Andrews. Our union's roots run deep in Maryland, and we support legislation that can help workers and families prosper and support the state's continued growth and success.

As a Navy Veteran who resides in this great state, I support passage of HB529.

Sincerely,

Richard Evans
Veterans Services Coordinator