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By: **Senator Frosh**

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Assigned to: Economic and Environmental Affairs

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education - Science and Technology Scholarships - Eligibility**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing a provision that requires a recipient of a Maryland  
4 Science and Technology Scholarship to be a graduate of a secondary school  
5 located in the State; and generally relating to eligibility for a Maryland Science  
6 and Technology Scholarship.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Education  
9 Section 18-2002(a)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Education**

15 18-2002.

16 (a) There is a program of Maryland Science and Technology Scholarships in  
17 this State that are awarded under this subtitle. The Administration shall annually  
18 select secondary school students who have the greatest potential for academic success  
19 in higher education and offer a scholarship to each student to be used at a Maryland  
20 higher education institution of their choice, if the recipient meets the following  
21 qualifications:

22 (1) Qualifies academically as follows:

23 (i) Has a secondary school transcript indicating an overall  
24 academic grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent grade  
25 point average in core curriculum courses after completion of the first semester of the  
26 senior year;

27 (ii) Intends to enroll as a full-time student in an academic program  
28 as designated by the Maryland Higher Education Commission; and

1 (iii) Has graduated from a secondary school [in Maryland];

2 (2) Is a Maryland resident;

3 (3) Is accepted for admission in a regular undergraduate program at a  
4 Maryland higher education institution in the State;

5 (4) Begins attending an eligible Maryland higher education institution  
6 within 2 years of completing high school or, failing to do so, provides evidence  
7 satisfactory to the State Scholarship Administration of extenuating circumstances;

8 (5) Agrees to the conditions provided in subsection (c) of this section; and

9 (6) Accepts any other conditions attached to the award and satisfies any  
10 additional criteria the Commission may establish.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
12 July 1, 1999.