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By: Chairman, Ways and Means Committee (Departmental - Higher Education Commission)

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Higher Education - Student Financial Assistance and Scholarships

- 3 FOR the purpose of allowing graduates of a high school outside of Maryland to be
- 4 eligible for a Guaranteed Access Grant under the Educational Excellence
- 5 Awards Program; requiring Maryland residency as a condition of eligibility for
- 6 the Edward T. Conroy Memorial Scholarship and tuition assistance for career or
- 7 volunteer firefighter, ambulance or rescue squad members; requiring
- 8 enrollment in a degree-granting or terminal certificate program as a condition
- 9 of eligibility for the Edward T. Conroy Memorial Scholarship; repealing the
- requirement that the service obligation of recipients of Economic Development
- 11 Student Assistant Grants awarded to train physical therapists, physical therapy
- assistants, occupational therapists, and occupational therapy assistants be
- served in a school or State therapeutic hospital; allowing graduates of a high
- school outside of Maryland to be eligible for a Maryland HOPE Scholarship; and
- 15 generally relating to student financial assistance and scholarships.
- 16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 17 Article Education
- 18 Section 18-303(c)(1), 18-601(d), 18-603, and 18-704(a)(9)
- 19 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 20 (1999 Replacement Volume)
- 21 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 22 Article Education
- 23 Section 18-601(b) and (c) and 18-704(a)(1) and (b)(1)
- 24 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 25 (1999 Replacement Volume)
- 26 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 27 Article Education
- 28 Section 18-2303(b)
- 29 Annotated Code of Maryland

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1 2 3	(1999 Replacement Volume) (As enacted by Chapters 704 and 705 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1999)				
4 5	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:				
6	Article - Education				
7	8-303.				
8	(c) Each recipient of a Guaranteed Access Grant shall:				
11 12	(1) Have attained a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent at the end of the first semester of the senior year in high school and nave completed high school [in this State] or, failing to do so, on the recommendation of the recipient's high school principal, provide evidence satisfactory to the State Scholarship Administration of extenuating circumstances;				
14	18-601.				
15	(b) There is a program of scholarships that are awarded under this section.				
16	(c) The Program is the Edward T. Conroy Memorial Scholarship Program.				
17 18	(d) A person may apply to the Administration for a scholarship under this section if the person:				
19	(1) IS A RESIDENT OF MARYLAND;				
	(2) (I) IS ACCEPTED FOR ADMISSION OR ENROLLED IN THE REGULA UNDERGRADUATE, GRADUATE OR PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM AT AN ELIGIBLE INSTITUTION; OR				
	(II) IS ENROLLED IN A 2-YEAR TERMINAL CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN WHICH THE COURSE WORK IS ACCEPTABLE FOR TRANSFER CREDIT FOR AN ACCREDITED BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM IN AN ELIGIBLE INSTITUTION; AND				
26 27	[(1)] (3) Is at least 16 years old and a son or daughter of a member of the armed forces who was a resident of this State at the time the parent:				
28 29	(i) Died or was totally and permanently disabled as a result of military service after December 7, 1941; or				
	(ii) Was declared to be a prisoner of war or missing in action, if that occurred on or after January 1, 1960 as a result of the Vietnam conflict, and if the				

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			and was a	Was a prisoner of war on or after January 1, 1960 as a result of resident of this State at the time the person was r or missing in action;	
4 5	or local publ	[(3)] ic safety	(5) employee	(i) Is at least 16 years old and a son or daughter of any State killed in the line of duty; or	
6 7	employee ki	lled in the	(ii) e line of d	Is the surviving spouse of any State or local public safety luty; or	
8		[(4)]	(6)	Is a disabled public safety employee.	
9	18-603.				
10	(a)	There is	a progra	m of tuition assistance under this section.	
13 14	(b) Any career or volunteer fire fighter, ambulance or rescue squad member 2 WHO IS A RESIDENT OF MARYLAND shall receive full and complete reimbursement by 3 the Administration for tuition costs not to exceed the resident tuition rates at the 4 University of Maryland, College Park for courses credited toward a degree in fire 5 service technology or emergency medical technology.				
16	18-704.				
17	(a)	(1)	In this so	ection the following words have the meaning indicated.	
20 21 22	(9) [(i)] "Service obligation" means the obligation of recipients to provide physical or occupational therapy to handicapped children [in a public school in Maryland or handicapped children placed in a nonpublic education program as provided under § 8-406 of this article, the first year of which is provided under the full-time, on-site supervision of a licensed physical or occupational therapist who has at least 2 years' experience in a school program.				
26	have a sever	re shortag	ge of phys	"Service obligation" may include service performed in a State d by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to ical or occupational therapists providing the 2) of this section has been met].	
	(b) (1) Economic Development Student Assistance Grants may be awarded as tuition assistance grants to train physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, occupational therapists, and occupational therapy assistants.				
31	18-2303.				
32	(b)	Each red	cipient of	a Maryland HOPE Scholarship shall:	
33 34	eligible inst	(1) itution in		oted for admission in a regular undergraduate program at an	
35		(2)	Be a resi	ident of the State;	

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- 1 (3) Earn a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or 2 its equivalent in core curriculum courses as calculated and indicated on the high
- 3 school transcript after the first semester of the senior year [from a] OF high school
- 4 [in this State];
- 5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 6 October 1, 2000.