
By: **Delegate Giannetti**

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education - HOPE Scholarships - Eligibility**

3 FOR the purpose of providing certain exceptions to the prohibition on allowing
4 recipients of HOPE Scholarships to receive certain other State-sponsored
5 financial assistance; and generally relating to the Maryland HOPE Scholarship
6 program.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article - Education
9 Section 18-2302(a)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article - Education
14 Section 18-2303
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

19 **Article - Education**

20 18-2302.

21 (a) There is a program of Maryland HOPE Scholarships in this State that are
22 awarded under this subtitle.

23 18-2303.

24 (a) [Except for an Educational Excellence Award under § 18-301 of this title
25 or a Distinguished Scholar Award under § 18-1101 of this title, the recipient of a
26 Maryland HOPE Scholarship may not hold any other scholarship awarded under this

1 title.] THE RECIPIENT OF A MARYLAND HOPE SCHOLARSHIP MAY NOT HOLD ANY
2 OTHER SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED UNDER THIS TITLE EXCEPT FOR:

3 (1) AN EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD UNDER § 18-301 OF THIS
4 TITLE;

5 (2) A DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR AWARD UNDER § 18-1101 OF THIS TITLE;

6 (3) A SENATORIAL SCHOLARSHIP UNDER § 18-401 OF THIS TITLE; OR

7 (4) A DELEGATE SCHOLARSHIP UNDER § 18-501 OF THIS TITLE.

8 (b) Each recipient of a Maryland HOPE Scholarship shall:

9 (1) Be accepted for admission in a regular undergraduate program at an
10 eligible institution in the State;

11 (2) Be a resident of the State;

12 (3) Earn a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or
13 its equivalent in core curriculum courses as calculated and indicated on the high
14 school transcript after the first semester of the senior year of high school;

15 (4) Begin attending an eligible institution within 2 years of completing
16 high school or, failing to do so, provide evidence satisfactory to the Administration of
17 extenuating circumstances;

18 (5) Enroll as a full-time student at an eligible institution;

19 (6) Have an annual total family income of \$95,000 or below;

20 (7) Accept any other conditions attached to the award; and

21 (8) Satisfy any additional criteria the Maryland Higher Education
22 Commission may establish.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 October 1, 2002.