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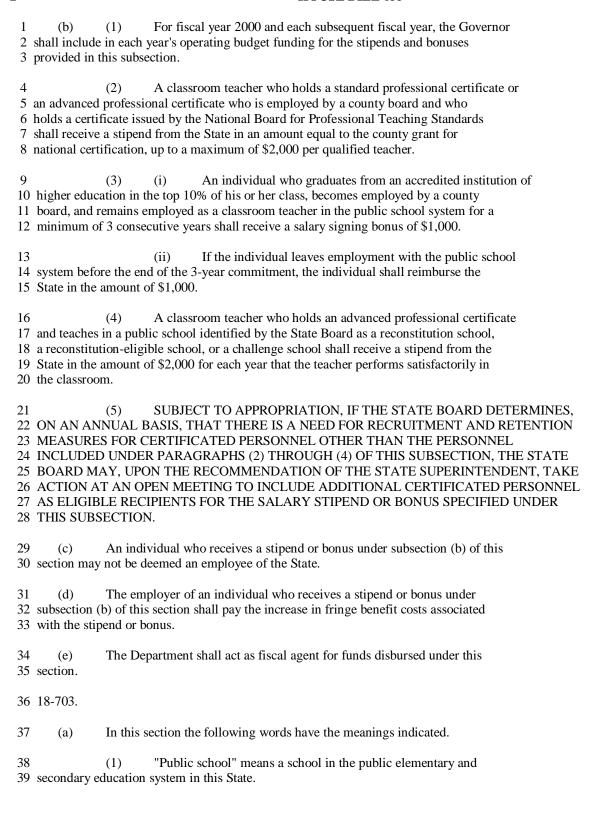
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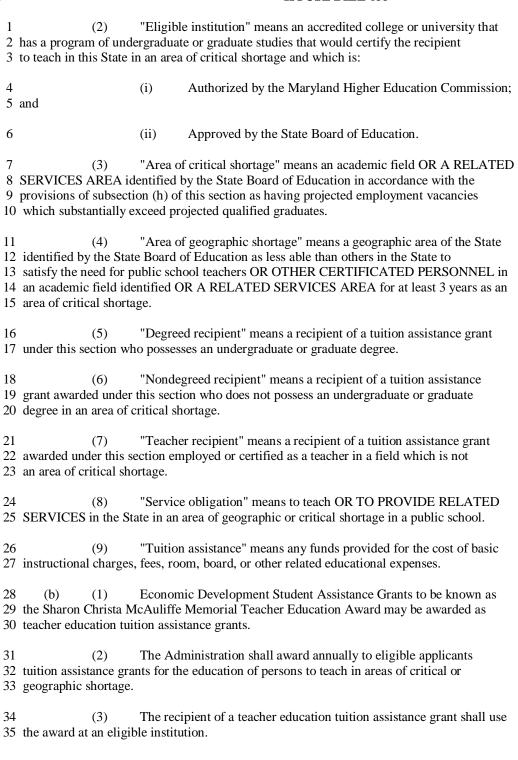
2002 Regular Session 2lr2149 CF 2lr2683

By: Delegate Heller Introduced and read first time: February 4, 2002 Assigned to: Ways and Means A BILL ENTITLED 1 AN ACT concerning 2 **Education - Schools - Recruitment and Retention of Certificated Personnel** 3 in Categories of Need - Supplemental Financial Assistance 4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland State Board of Education to make a 5 certain determination about the need for additional certificated personnel in 6 certain categories, subject to conditions; making certain certificated personnel 7 eligible for certain additional salary stipends or bonuses, subject to conditions; 8 making certificated personnel in certain related services areas eligible for 9 certain teacher education scholarship awards; and generally relating to the recruitment and retention of certificated personnel in certain categories and the 10 eligibility requirements for certain salary stipends, bonuses, and scholarship 11 awards for certain certificated personnel in schools. 12 13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article - Education 14 15 Section 6-306 and 18-703 16 Annotated Code of Maryland 17 (2001 Replacement Volume) 18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: **Article - Education** 20 21 6-306. 22 In this section, "county grant for national certification" means an annual grant distributed to a teacher certified by the National Board for Professional 24 Teaching Standards established:

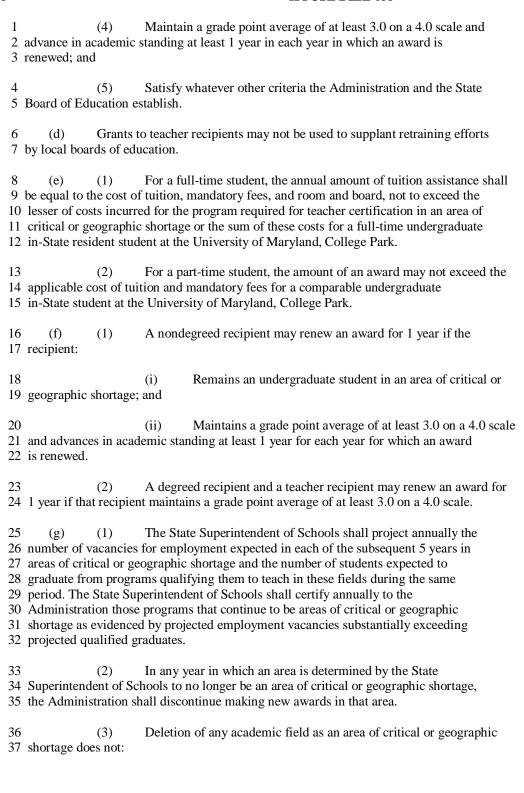
Outside of the collective bargaining process; or

As part of a collective bargaining agreement with the local employee





	(4) The State Board of Education may adopt rules and regulations to determine academic criteria for selection of tuition assistance recipients from eligible applicants.
4	(c) A recipient of a tuition assistance grant shall:
5	(1) Qualify as follows:
8 9 10	(i) Have earned 60 credits of undergraduate collegiate education and be enrolled in or sign a letter of intent to enroll in a program leading to certification to teach in an area of critical or geographic shortage and be selected by the Administration on a competitive basis among qualified applicants based on academic criteria, not limited to standardized tests, established by the State Board of Education; or
14 15	(ii) Have an undergraduate or graduate degree and be enrolled in or sign a letter of intent to enroll in courses leading to certification to teach in an area of critical or geographic shortage and be selected among qualified applicants on a competitive basis based on academic criteria established by the State Board of Education; or
17	(iii) Persons who are already teachers shall:
18 19	1. Be nominated by the superintendent of schools of the system in which the person teaches or intends to teach; and
	2. Enroll as a student in courses required for teacher certification in an academic area in which there is a critical or geographic shortage of teachers; and
	3. Be selected by the Administration on a competitive basi among qualified applicants based on criteria established by the State Board of Education;
26	(2) Sign a letter of intent as follows:
	(i) A nondegreed recipient who is not already a teacher shall be enrolled in or sign a letter of intent to enroll in an eligible institution as a student in an undergraduate program necessary for teacher education; or
	(ii) A degreed recipient shall enroll in or sign a letter of intent to enroll in courses leading to certification to teach in an area of critical or geographic shortage; or
	(iii) A recipient who is already a teacher shall sign a letter of intent to enroll in an eligible institution as a student in a teacher certification program in an area in which there is a critical or geographic shortage of teachers;
36	(3) Perform the service obligation upon completion of required studies;



- 1 (i) Terminate the right of existing recipients to renew awards 2 under § 18-704(d) of this subtitle; or
- 3 (ii) If the recipient continues to teach in a public school in this State
- 4 in that academic field, invoke the provisions of § 18-701(e)(1) of this subtitle or
- 5 disqualify the recipient under the provisions of § 18-701(e)(2) of this subtitle.
- 6 (h) Funds for the Teacher Education Tuition Assistance Program shall be as 7 provided in the annual budget of the Commission by the Governor.
- 8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 9 October 1, 2002.