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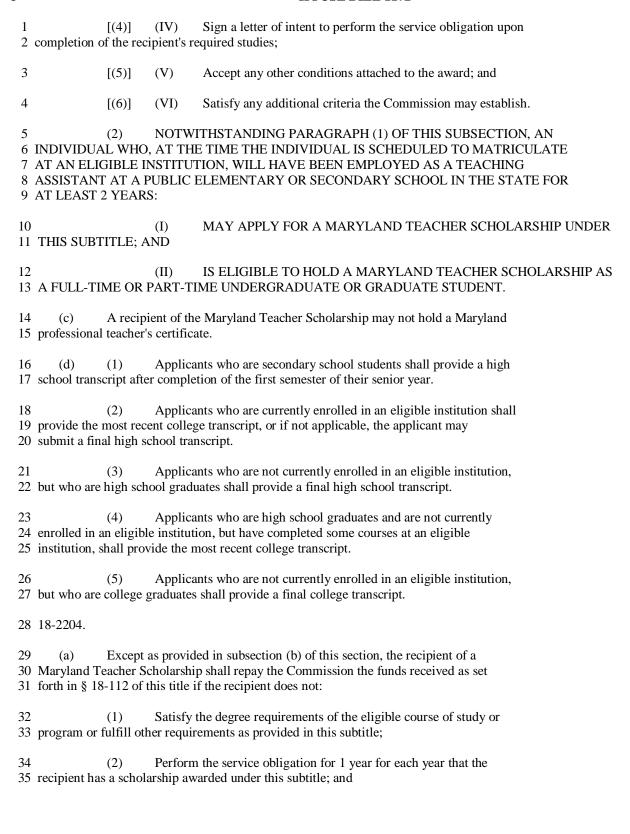
CHAPTER

1 AN ACT concerning

- Higher Education Teaching Assistants Eligibility for the Maryland
   Teacher Scholarship Program
- 4 FOR the purpose of making certain teaching assistants eligible for the Maryland
- 5 Teacher Scholarship program; specifying the amount for a certain scholarship
- 6 award; and generally relating to eligibility requirements for the Maryland
- 7 Teacher Scholarship program.
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 9 Article Education
- 10 Section <del>18 2201,</del> 18-2203, and 18-2205
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2001 Replacement Volume)
- 13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 14 Article Education
- 15 Section <u>18-2201</u>, 18-2202, and 18-2204
- 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:

1	Article - Education
2	18-2201.
3	(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
	(b) "Eligible institution" means a public or private institution of higher education in this State that possesses a certificate of approval from the Maryland Higher Education Commission.
	(c) (1) "Service obligation" means to teach full time in the State as a teacher OR BE EMPLOYED AS A TEACHING ASSISTANT in a Maryland public elementary or secondary school.
10 11	(2) "Service obligation" does not mean employment as {teaching assistants,} volunteer service, paid fellowships, or internships.
12 13	(d) "Administration" means the State Scholarship Administration as defined in § 18-101(b) of this title.
14	18-2202.
	There is a program of Maryland teacher scholarships that are awarded under this subtitle for students who pledge to work as public elementary and secondary school teachers in this State upon completion of their studies.
18	18-2203.
	(a) The Administration shall annually select eligible students and offer a scholarship to each student selected to be used at an eligible institution of their choice.
22 23	(b) (1) [A] SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A recipient of the Maryland Teacher Scholarship shall:
24	[(1)] (I) Be a Maryland resident;
27 28	[(2)] (II) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, be accepted for admission or currently enrolled at an eligible institution as a full-time undergraduate student or a full-time or part-time graduate student pursuing a course of study or program in an academic discipline leading to a Maryland professional teacher's certificate;
	[(3) (i)] (III) 1. For a student currently enrolled in high school, have earned a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent in core curriculum courses at the time of application; or
35	[(ii)] 2. For a student currently enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student, have maintained a grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and have been making satisfactory progress toward a degree in an academic discipline leading to a Maryland professional teacher's certificate;

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Become professionally certified to teach in the State of Maryland

- within the time period specified by the Commission in consultation with the
  Maryland Department of Education.
  (b) The Administration shall forgive a recipient of a Maryland Teacher
  Scholarship for 2 years of an award if:
  (1) The recipient has taken the teacher certification examination,
  approved by the State Board of Education, in 2 consecutive years; and
  (2) The recipient fails to pass the teacher certification examination
  within the time period specified by the Commission in accordance with subsection
  (a)(3) of this section.
- 11 18-2205.
- The annual scholarship award shall be in the amount of:
- 13 (1) \$2,000 for [an] A FULL-TIME undergraduate student, OR \$1,000 FOR 14 A PART-TIME UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT, enrolled at a 2-year eligible institution;
- 15 (2) \$5,000 for a full-time undergraduate or graduate student enrolled in 16 a 4-year eligible institution; or
- 17 (3) \$2,500 for a part-time UNDERGRADUATE OR graduate student 18 enrolled at a 4-year eligible institution.
- 19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take 20 effect June 1, 2002.