

HOUSE BILL 1123

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ENROLLED BILL

— *Ways and Means / Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs* —

Introduced by **Delegates Hixson, Barkley, Barve, Bronrott, Dumais, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Heller, Hucker, Kaiser, N. King, Kramer, Lawton, Lee, Manno, Mizeur, Montgomery, Rice, Simmons, and Taylor**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this _____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

Speaker.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Workforce Shortage Student Assistance Grants – Ida G. and L. Leonard**
3 **Ruben Scholarship Scholarships**

4 FOR the purpose of designating ~~a~~ certain Workforce Shortage Student Assistance
5 ~~grant~~ grants relating to the workforce shortage field of developmental
6 disabilities, mental health, child welfare, and juvenile justice providers as the
7 Ida G. and L. Leonard ~~Ruben Scholarship~~ Scholarships; and generally relating
8 to ~~a scholarship~~ grants awarded under the Workforce Shortage Student
9 Assistance grant program.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber / conference committee amendments.



1 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
 2 Article – Education
 3 ~~Section 18–708(b), (c), and (e)(5)~~
 4 Section 18–708(b) and (c)
 5 Annotated Code of Maryland
 6 (2006 Replacement Volume)

7 ~~BY adding to~~
 8 ~~Article – Education~~
 9 ~~Section 18–708(e)(7)~~
 10 ~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~
 11 ~~(2006 Replacement Volume)~~

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 13 Article – Education
 14 Section 18–708(e)(5)
 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
 16 (2006 Replacement Volume)

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 18–708.

21 (b) There is a program of Workforce Shortage Student Assistance grants
 22 under this section for students who pledge to work in fields of critical shortage in the
 23 State on completion of their studies.

24 (c) The purpose of the program is to:

25 (1) Provide financial assistance to students enrolled at institutions of
 26 higher education in the State; and

27 (2) Address the workforce shortage needs of the State.

28 (e) (5) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph,
 29 the following workforce shortage fields shall be included in the grant program:

30 1. School teachers (the grant to be known as the Sharon
 31 Christa McAuliffe Memorial Teacher Scholarship);

- 1 2. Nurses;
- 2 3. Child care providers;
- 3 4. Developmental disabilities, mental health, child
4 welfare, and juvenile justice providers **(THE GRANT TO BE KNOWN AS THE IDA G.
5 AND L. LEONARD RUBEN SCHOLARSHIPS);**
- 6 5. Physical and occupational therapists and assistants;
7 and
- 8 6. Public servants (the grant to be known as the William
9 Donald Schaefer Scholarship).

10 (ii) The Commission may remove a shortage field specified in
11 subparagraph (i) of this paragraph if in the Commission’s judgment the field no longer
12 qualifies as a workforce shortage field.

13 ~~(7) EACH YEAR, ONE GRANT GRANTS AWARDED FOR
14 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, MENTAL HEALTH, CHILD WELFARE, AND
15 JUVENILE JUSTICE PROVIDERS UNDER PARAGRAPH (5)(1)4 OF THIS
16 SUBSECTION SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE IDA G. AND L. LEONARD RUBEN
17 SCHOLARSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS.~~

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
19 June 1, 2007.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.