HOUSE BILL 1123

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

Workforce Shortage Student Assistance Grants - Ida G. <u>and L. Leonard</u> Ruben Scholarships

- FOR the purpose of designating a certain Workforce Shortage Student Assistance grant grants relating to the workforce shortage field of developmental disabilities, mental health, child welfare, and juvenile justice providers as the Ida G. and L. Leonard Ruben Scholarship Scholarships; and generally relating to a scholarship grants awarded under the Workforce Shortage Student Assistance grant program.
- 10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 11 Article Education
- 12 Section 18–708(b), (c), and (e)(5)
- 13 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 14 (2006 Replacement Volume)
- 15 BY adding to
- 16 Article Education

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

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

| 1 2 3 | Section 18–708(e)(7) Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 Replacement Volume) |
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| 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 | 18–708. |
| 8 9 10 | (b) There is a program of Workforce Shortage Student Assistance grants under this section for students who pledge to work in fields of critical shortage in the State on completion of their studies. |
| 11 | (c) The purpose of the program is to: |
| 12 13 | (1) Provide financial assistance to students enrolled at institutions of higher education in the State; and |
| 14 | (2) Address the workforce shortage needs of the State. |
| 15 16 | (e) (5) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, the following workforce shortage fields shall be included in the grant program: |
| 17 18 | 1. School teachers (the grant to be known as the Sharon Christa McAuliffe Memorial Teacher Scholarship); |
| 19 | 2. Nurses; |
| 20 | 3. Child care providers; |
| 21 22 | 4. Developmental disabilities, mental health, child welfare, and juvenile justice providers; |
| 23 24 | 5. Physical and occupational therapists and assistants; and |
| 25 26 | 6. Public servants (the grant to be known as the William Donald Schaefer Scholarship). |

| 1 2 3 | (ii) The Commission may remove a shortage field specified in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph if in the Commission's judgment the field no longer qualifies as a workforce shortage field. |
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| 4 5 6 7 8 | (7) Each year, one grant grants awarded for developmental disabilities, mental health, child welfare, and juvenile justice providers under paragraph (5)(i)4 of this subsection shall be known as the Ida G. and L. Leonard Ruben Scholarship Scholarships. |
| 9 10 | SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2007 . |
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| | Governor. |
| | Speaker of the House of Delegates. |
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