

SENATE BILL 591

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By: **Senators Pinsky, Currie, Exum, Forehand, Gladden, King, Lenett, Madaleno, Pugh, and Raskin**

Introduced and read first time: February 1, 2008

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education – Tuition Charges – Maryland High School Students**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing that certain individuals, other than certain
4 nonresident individuals, shall be exempt from paying nonresident tuition at
5 certain public institutions of higher education under certain circumstances;
6 requiring certain individuals to provide certain documentation regarding
7 Maryland income tax withholding; requiring the governing board of each public
8 institution of higher education to adopt certain policies; and generally relating
9 to tuition charges for certain individuals attending public institutions of higher
10 education in the State.

11 BY adding to

12 Article – Education
13 Section 15–106.7
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Education**

19 **15–106.7.**

20 (A) **NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE, AN**
21 **INDIVIDUAL, OTHER THAN A STUDENT WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 8, §**
22 **1101(A)(15) OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM PAYING**
23 **THE NONRESIDENT TUITION RATE AT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER**
24 **EDUCATION REGARDLESS OF RESIDENCY IF THE INDIVIDUAL:**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



(1) ATTENDED A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THIS STATE FOR AT LEAST 2 YEARS;

(2) GRADUATED FROM A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THIS STATE OR RECEIVED THE EQUIVALENT OF A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA IN THIS STATE;

(3) REGISTERS AS AN ENTERING STUDENT IN A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS STATE NOT EARLIER THAN THE 2008 FALL SEMESTER;

(4) PROVIDES TO THE PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION DOCUMENTATION THAT THE INDIVIDUAL OR THE INDIVIDUAL'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN HAS HAD MARYLAND INCOME TAX WITHHELD DURING THE YEAR PRIOR TO THE INDIVIDUAL GRADUATING FROM A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THIS STATE;

(5) IN THE CASE OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT A PERMANENT RESIDENT, PROVIDES TO THE PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION AN AFFIDAVIT STATING THAT THE INDIVIDUAL WILL FILE AN APPLICATION TO BECOME A PERMANENT RESIDENT WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE INDIVIDUAL BECOMES ELIGIBLE TO DO SO; AND

(6) MAKES OR HAS MADE AN APPLICATION TO ATTEND A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS STATE NOT LATER THAN 3 YEARS AFTER GRADUATING FROM A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THIS STATE OR RECEIVING THE EQUIVALENT OF A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA IN THIS STATE.

(B) THE GOVERNING BOARD OF EACH PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION SHALL ADOPT APPROPRIATE POLICIES TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2008.