CHAPTER 152

(Senate Bill 141)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Graduate and Professional Scholarship Program - Qualifications

FOR the purpose of expanding eligibility under the Maryland Graduate and Professional Scholarship Program to include certain students attending certain institutions in the State offering a certain degree program in pharmacy; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to the Maryland Graduate and Professional Scholarship Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18–2601(b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

Article - Education

18 - 2601.

- (b) A recipient of a graduate and professional scholarship shall:
 - (1) Be a resident of the State;
- (2) Demonstrate financial need according to criteria established by the Commission; and
 - (3) Attend one of the following institutions:
 - (i) The University of Maryland School of:
 - 1. Medicine;
 - 2. Dentistry;
 - 3. Law;
 - 4. Pharmacy; or

- 5. Social [work] **WORK**;
- (ii) The University of Baltimore School of Law;
- (iii) The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine;
- (iv) Virginia–Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine;
- (v) Any institution of higher education in the State offering a master's degree in nursing; [or]
- (vi) Any institution of higher education in the State offering a master's degree in social work; **OR**

(VII) ANY INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE OFFERING A FIRST PROFESSIONAL DEGREE IN PHARMACY.

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

Approved by the Governor, April 24, 2008.