

SB0167/733221/2

BY: Senator Colburn

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 167, AS AMENDED
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1 of the Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee Amendments (SB0167/544633/1), in line 3 of Amendment No. 1, strike “Rates - Exemptions” and substitute “Rate Exemptions and Scholarship Eligibility”.

On page 1 of the bill, in line 8, after “policies” insert “; altering the eligibility requirements for a certain senatorial scholarship to require an applicant to be a citizen of the United States”; and after line 15, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18-402

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2 of the bill, after line 26, insert:

“18-402.

(a) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each applicant for a senatorial scholarship shall:

(i) Take a competitive examination administered by the Office;
and

(Over)

(ii) Be accepted for admission in the regular undergraduate, graduate, or professional program at an eligible institution; or be enrolled in a 2-year terminal certificate program in which the course work is acceptable for transfer credit for an accredited baccalaureate program in an eligible institution.

(2) An applicant is exempt from the examination if the applicant:

(i) Is attending an eligible institution and has completed at least 1 year in good academic standing at the institution;

(ii) Graduated from high school at least 5 years before application for a senatorial scholarship;

(iii) Is accepted for admission to a private career institution, if the institution's curriculum is approved by the Commission, and the institution is accredited by a national accrediting association approved by the United States Department of Education; or

(iv) Is planning to attend or is attending a Maryland community college.

(b) Each applicant shall:

(1) BE A CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES;

[(1)] (2) Be a resident of this State; and

[(2)] (3) At the time of the applicant's initial application, be a resident of the legislative district from which the applicant seeks an award.

(c) (1) Each applicant shall demonstrate to the Office a definite financial need, and each Senator shall consider the financial need of each applicant.

(2) Each Senator is the final judge of the financial need of each applicant to whom he awards a scholarship, and the Office may not negate this judgment or impose requirements of time or procedure.

(d) Each applicant shall accept any other conditions attached to the award.”.