

Chapter 9

(Senate Bill 55)

AN ACT concerning

Private Career Schools – Solicitor Permits – Repeal

FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that a solicitor for a private career school located outside the State obtain a permit from the Maryland Higher Education Commission; and generally relating to requirements for solicitors for private career schools.

BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 11–402

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2008 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

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

Article – Education

[11–402.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) (i) “School” means a private career school located outside the State.

(ii) “School” does not include a private career school that operates in the State pursuant to a certificate of approval issued under § 11–202(b) of this title.

(3) “Solicitor” means a person engaged in the business, for compensation, of soliciting or offering to solicit students in this State to enroll in or apply for a program offered by a school.

(b) A person may not act as a solicitor unless such person has a permit issued under this section.

(c) (1) A person wishing to act as a solicitor shall apply to the Commission for a permit.

(2) The application shall be made on the forms the Commission provides, shall contain the information the Commission requires, and shall be accompanied by:

(i) A copy of each type of contract offered by the solicitor to prospective students; and

(ii) Any advertising materials and other representations that are made by the school to its students or prospective students.

(d) Each permit issued under this section expires on June 30 after its issuance and may be renewed annually on application and payment of the required fee.

(e) (1) The Commission shall consider the application and accompanying material.

(2) If the Commission approves the application, it shall issue a permit to the solicitor, on payment of an initial fee of \$25. The renewal fee is \$25.

(f) After notice to the solicitor and an opportunity for a hearing, the Commission may revoke the solicitor's permit for:

(1) Violation of a contract with a student; or

(2) Any other good cause.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2013.

Approved by the Governor, April 9, 2013.