

Chapter 826

(House Bill 224)

AN ACT concerning

Higher Education – AmeriCorps Program Participants – In-State Tuition

FOR the purpose of waiving the residency requirement for in-State tuition purposes at a public senior higher education institution in the State for students who complete an AmeriCorps Program in the State; establishing certain circumstances when a student is responsible for paying in-State tuition; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the residency requirement for in-State tuition purposes.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 15–106.9

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

Article – Education

15–106.9.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, “RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT” MEANS THE REQUIREMENT OF A PUBLIC SENIOR HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION THAT A STUDENT HAS RESIDED IN THE STATE FOR 12 CONSECUTIVE MONTHS TO BE CONSIDERED A RESIDENT AND RECEIVE IN-STATE TUITION STATUS.

(B) FOR IN-STATE TUITION PURPOSES, A PUBLIC SENIOR HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION SHALL WAIVE THE IN-STATE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS COMPLETED ALL SERVICE HOURS FOR AN AMERICORPS PROGRAM IN THE STATE.

(C) A STUDENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN IN-STATE AND OUT-OF-STATE TUITION IF THE STUDENT DOES NOT RETAIN RESIDENCE IN THE STATE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SCHOOL YEAR FOR WHICH IN-STATE TUITION WAS RECEIVED.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2017.

Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 27, 2017.