The Court of Appeals shall prescribe rules for the designation of colleges and universities to give pre-legal education, the number of semester hours and the subjects to be included in three years of college work or its equivalent. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ACT, SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF SIXTY (60) SEMESTER HOURS OF ACADEMIC WORK IN FIELDS OF STUDY PRE-SCRIBED BY THE COURT OF APPEALS AND THE MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TAKEN IN AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION APPROVED TO GIVE SUCH PRE-LEGAL TRAINING BY THE MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL BE ACCEPTED AS SATISFACTORY COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION. The requirements for pre-legal education as provided in the existing law shall continue until May 31, 1957.

The following shall be accepted as satisfactory proof of compliance with the requirements of this section:

- (a) If the application for registration as a law student is made on or after June 1st, 1940, it must be accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the State Board of Law Examiners of the successful completion of one year's academic work, consisting of not less than thirty (30) semester hours, and if made on or after June 1st, 1941, then of two years of academic work, consisting of a total of not less than thirty-six (36) semester hours, in each instance taken in a university or college recognized by the Maryland State Department of Education as a standard institution of college grade, or
- (b) Filing with the said application for registration a certificate from any college or university approved by the State Board of Law Examiners, as hereinafter provided, certifying that the applicant has successfully completed a course of studies which the State Board of Law Examiners shall have deemed for the purpose of pre-legal education as set forth in Sections 3 and 4 of this Article, as full and complete compliance with its requirements and which course of studies the State Board of Law Examiners shall have promulgated by rule duly published in a newspaper of general circulation in the State of Maryland within thirty (30) days from June 1, 1939. This rule when so promulgated shall specify the subjects to be taught, the number of hours for each subject and the colleges or universities in Maryland which have been approved by the State Board of Law Examiners to give pre-legal education. The said Board of Law Examiners, when said rule shall have been promulgated, shall thereafter neither enlarge nor diminish the course of study nor number of hours specified. The State Board of Law Examiners shall not add to nor take from the list of Maryland colleges and universities approved by it except that any college or university may be added to or removed from said approved list upon certification by the State Board of Education that such college or university is or is not providing the pre-legal education required by said rule so promulgated, provided, however, that the General Assembly of Maryland, may, from time to time, by an enabling act authorize the State Board of Law Examiners to make specified changes in said rule. Actual college or university attendance shall not be required in the acquisition of said "Equivalent" education herein provided for, but if the applicant has not completed such course of study as may be prescribed by said rule under this section in such an approved college or university, he or she shall submit to an examination to be held under the supervision of the State Board