

## CHAPTER 322

(Senate Bill 215)

AN ACT to add new Sections 300 to 304, inclusive, to Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Public Education", to follow immediately after Section 299 thereof and to be under the new sub-title "Nonpublic Schools", providing for the regulation, licensing and bonding of persons representing certain private schools, within or without the State, offering COURSES OF INSTRUCTION for a fee ~~courses in education or in trade or industry~~, and relating generally to such schools and their representatives.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Sections 300 to 304, inclusive, be and they are hereby added to Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Public Education", to follow immediately after Section 299 thereof and to be under the new sub-title "Nonpublic Schools", and to read as follows:

## NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS

300. (a) *As used in this sub-title, the following terms mean:*

(b) *"Solicitor" means a person engaged in the business of soliciting for compensation or offering to solicit students within the State of Maryland to enroll in or apply for any course of instruction offered by any school.*

(c) *"School" means any school or educational institution, however designated, which charges tuition or fees for attendance, or instruction and which offers a program of college, professional preparatory, high school, junior high school, elementary, kindergarten, or nursery school work, or any combination thereof, or which offers a program of trade or technical education, or both, or which gives pre-employment or supplementary training, or both, in the fields of trade or industry, and any and every private school or educational institution charging tuition or fees for attendance or instruction; but this term shall not include the following: accredited high schools and institutions of higher learning, those operated by a bona fide church organization or schools or educational programs conducted by firms, corporations or persons for the training of their own employees, for which no fee is charged, or for any refresher or continuing education program sponsored by any professional group now or hereafter sponsoring such program for the exclusive use and benefit of the members of such professional group, or nonpublic schools which hold a certificate of approval from the State Superintendent of Schools or which are specifically exempted from such requirement by sub-section (a) of Section 25 of this Article.*

301. (a) *Every solicitor for any nonpublic school, located within or without the State of Maryland, shall apply to the State Superintendent of Schools for an annual permit on July 1 of each year.*

(b) *The application shall be made on forms supplied by the State*

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.