

CHAPTER 656

(House Bill 652)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 49 of Article 96½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Veterans," subtitle "War Orphans," placing the program for State aid for tuition for certain war orphans under the administrative control of the State Scholarship Board rather than the State Board of Education.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 49 of Article 96½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Veterans," subtitle "War Orphans," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

49.

(a) Any child between the ages of sixteen and twenty-three, or between the ages of sixteen and twenty-seven if the said child has served in the military service of the United States, inclusive, of any person who served in the armed forces of the United States and who was killed in action or who died as a result of such service after December 7, 1941, if such person was a resident of this State at the time of his induction shall receive, upon application therefor to the [State Board of Education] *State Scholarship Board*, State aid for tuition, matriculation fees, board, room rent, books and supplies for such child attending any of the following-named institutions approved by said Board: An educational or training institution of college grade or any other institution of higher learning or commercial training, a teachers college, a vocational school or any accredited military preparatory school if such beneficiary is preparing to enter the United States Military Academy at West Point, the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis or a United States Coast Guard Academy. Such grant may be used for the matriculation fees of any such beneficiary at any of said United States government academies.

(b) The amount of such aid shall not exceed five hundred dollars per year for each beneficiary and shall be paid to such institution on vouchers approved by the [State Board of Education] *State Scholarship Board*; provided the State shall pay for the board and room of any such beneficiary residing outside of any such institution on vouchers approved by the institution.

(c) The [State Board of Education] *State Scholarship Board* may adopt and promulgate such rules and regulations as may be reasonable and necessary for the administration of this section.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That as of July 1, 1966, all funds and credits on the books or in the custody of the State Board of Education for the purposes of said State aid for tuition shall be transferred to, and be on the books and in the custody of, the State Scholarship Board to be used for the same purpose. At the same time, all pending applications for such State aid for tuition and all the books, papers and accounts for this program of educational aid, which are in the care, custody and control of the State Board of