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(b) Scholarships under this section shall be awarded to those persons [who (1) ] (1) who are residents of Charles County [.] ; (2) who make application to the County Commissioners of Charles County, at such times and places and in a manner to be determined and announced by the County Commissioners [.] ; (3) whose applications are reviewed and favorably recommended by a scholarship committee appointed by the County Commissioners which said scholarship committee shall consist of five (5) members appointed by the County Commissioners and said committee shall include a Doctor of Medicine, an educator, a nurse, an ordained minister, and one other person [.] ; and all of said members of the scholarship committee [to] shall be full-time residents of Charles County [.] ; and each of the five members shall have four year appointments, except that those appointments made or confirmed initially shall be one for one year, one for two years, one for three years and two for four years, beginning July 1, 1970; (4) who are selected by the County Commissioners after such review and recommendation by the [staff of Physicians Memorial Hospital,] scholarship committee on the basis of demonstrated aptitude, interest and ability, and financial need [.] ; and (5) who furnish surety bonds to the County Commissioners of Charles County, in such amount and with such surety as the Commissioners may determine, the condition of which bonds shall be that the applicant, provided he or she completes the course of study for which the scholarship is awarded, practices in his or her field in Charles County for a period of not less than two years within a period, following completion of such course of study, of three years extended by the duration of any military service of the applicant commencing in such three year period.

(c) Scholarship may be awarded under this section for study at any accredited institution within Maryland, Virginia or the District of Columbia offering courses of instruction in the scholarship holder's field. [Each scholarship shall cover the full tuition and fees charged by such institution for such course of instruction, but no further amounts, shall be paid by the County Commissioners directly to the institution, and shall continue as long as the holder is satisfactorily progressing toward completion of his or her course of instruction.] The amount of each scholarship shall be recommended by the scholarship committee to the County Commissioners. Nothing herein contained shall in any way impair or affect control by the several institutions of their operation or of the studies pursued therein or of the standards and qualification required for admission and continued study in such institutions.

(d) The award of scholarships under this section shall commence in fiscal [1966-67] 1970-71 and shall continue thereafter; provided that no more than fifteen persons in all of the several categories may hold scholarships at any one time.

(e) The County Commissioners are authorized and empowered to appropriate funds for scholarships hereunder from the general funds of Charles County.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.

Approved April 1, 1970