SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the provisions of this Act shall not be construed to extend or apply to the terms of office of the members of the Real Estate Commission in office on the effective date of this Act.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved May 24, 1971.

CHAPTER 654

(Senate Bill 335)

AN ACT to add new Section 59 to Article 77A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Higher Education," subtitle "Scholarships," to follow immediately after Section 58 thereof, providing generally for the award of scholarships by the State Scholarship Board for the preparation of teachers of the deaf.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That new Section 59 be and it is hereby added to Article 77A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), title "Higher Education," subtitle "Scholarships," to follow immediately after Section 58 thereof, and to read as follows:

59.

- (a) As used in this section, "training center for teachers of the deaf" means any accredited college or university within the State of Maryland having a program for the preparation of teachers of the deaf which satisfies the requirements established by the Council on Education of the Deaf for certification as teachers for the deaf.
- (b) In addition to any other scholarships that may be awarded or provided for under other provisions of this article, there shall be a program of scholarships for the preparation of teachers of the deaf to any training center for teachers of the deaf.
- (c) Eligibility for a scholarship under this section shall be limited to persons (1) who are senior undergraduate students or candidates for a Master's Degree in the area of education of the deaf at a training center for teachers of the deaf, (2) who have clearly shown a commitment to teach deaf children in the State of Maryland through successful completion of prerequisite course work, (3) who are recommended by the training center for teachers of the deaf they are applying to or attending after consultation with the Maryland School for the Deaf, and (4) whose financial needs and resources meet the requirements therefor as determined by rules and regulations adopted by the State Scholarship Board.
- (d) Each year, the State Scholarship Board shall cause the availability and conditions of scholarships under this section to be made known at colleges and universities both within and without this