FOR the purpose of altering the amount of grants to students attending certain institutions under the Delegate scholarship program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 77A — Higher Education Section 40 Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 40 of Article 77A — Higher Education, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 77A - Higher Education

40.

Each member of the House of Delegates may appoint, during his term of office, two students from his district, selected on any basis, who shall be educated free of charge for tuition and mandatory fees at any of those institutions of higher education in Maryland which are accredited by the State Department of Education including two-year certificate programs offered by the institutions; provided, however, that as an alternative to the method provided for above, the two scholarships as set forth may, at the discretion of the member of the House of Delegates, be divided into equal two-year scholarships and the Delegate may appoint four students to two-year scholarships at one of the schools or may appoint one student to a four-year scholarship and two additional students to two-year scholarships at one of the listed schools; or may appoint up to two part-time students for each scholarship available; a scholarship for a part-time student may be for a period of time not to exceed twice the number of years for which a full-time student is eligible; and provided further that each part-time student shall carry at least 6 semester hours per semester in a program of undergraduate study leading to the granting of a degree. In the event that any student is enrolled in a private college or university within the State, the grant will not exceed [the amount of the equivalent tuition and mandatory fees at the University of Maryland] \$[[750 PER SEMESTER]] the amount of the equivalent tuition and mandatory fees at the University of Maryland, PROVIDED THAT A PERSON WHO IS PRESENTLY RECEIVING OR HAS RECEIVED A SCHOLARSHIP IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNT HEREIN PROVIDED FOR SHALL CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THE SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE REMAINDER OF HIS OF HER UNDERGRADUATE ENFOLLMENT PROVIDED ALL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS ARE MET.