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(A) 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] SIX 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, 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 or her undergraduate enrollment provided all eligibility requirements are met.

(B) IF A FULL-TIME STUDENT DESIRES TO ACCELERATE HIS UNDER-GRADUATE STUDY BY ATTENDING SUMMER SCHOOL SESSIONS, AID SHALL BE GRANTED TOWARD THE COSTS OF TUITION AND MANDATORY FEES OF SUMMER SCHOOL. THE TOTAL LENGTH OF THE AWARD SHALL BE SHORTENED BY ONE-HALF YEAR FOR EACH SUMMER OF USE. THE AID FOR SUMMER SCHOOL USE MAY NOT EXCEED ONE-HALF OF THE VALUE OF THE AWARD FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR. REQUESTS TO USE DELEGATE AWARDS SHALL BE MADE AT LEAST SIX MONTHS PRIOR TO THE START OF SUMMER SCHOOL.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved April 12, 1977.