

Article – Labor and Employment

Section 9–721

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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(a) [A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, A physician shall evaluate a permanent impairment and report the evaluation to the Commission in accordance with the regulations of the Commission.

(b) A medical evaluation of a permanent impairment shall include information about:

- (1) atrophy;
- (2) pain;
- (3) weakness; and
- (4) loss of endurance, function, and range of motion.

(C) IF A PERMANENT IMPAIRMENT INVOLVES A BEHAVIORAL OR MENTAL DISORDER, A LICENSED PSYCHOLOGIST OR QUALIFIED PHYSICIAN SHALL:

(1) PERFORM AN EVALUATION OF ONLY THE MENTAL OR BEHAVIORAL PORTION OF THE PERMANENT IMPAIRMENT; AND

(2) REPORT THE EVALUATION TO THE COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2005.

May 26, 2005

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 268 – *Education – School-Based Employees – Stipends*.

This bill expands the eligibility for a stipend of up to a maximum of \$2,000 for certificated school-based employees who work directly with students or teachers and