

(b) Military administrative leave may be provided to an employee subject to this section who:

- (1) is on active military duty on July 1, 2003; or
- (2) is activated for military duty on or after July 1, 2003.

(c) (1) An employee who is eligible to receive military administrative leave under this section is entitled to leave in an amount sufficient to compensate the employee, during each pay period for which the employee is eligible to receive military administrative leave under this section, for the difference between the employee's active duty base salary paid by the federal government and the employee's State base salary or direct wages.

(2) Compensation provided under this subsection may not exceed an employee's State base salary or direct wages.

(d) An employee eligible to receive military administrative leave under this section who is activated for military duty on or after July 1, 2003, shall elect to use either military administrative leave or paid leave as provided in § 9-1104(3) of this subtitle.

(e) The Department shall keep a record of the use of military administrative leave under this section.

**Chapter 389 of the Acts of 2003, as amended by Chapter 122 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004**

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act shall take effect July 1, 2003. It shall remain effective for a period of [2] 3 years and, at the end of [June 30, 2005,] JUNE 30, 2006, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

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

Approved April 26, 2005.

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**CHAPTER 105**

**(Senate Bill 32)**

AN ACT concerning

**Student Financial Assistance - Deferral from Service Obligation**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Office of Student Financial Assistance within the Maryland Higher Education Commission to grant a deferral from a certain service obligation to certain individuals under certain circumstances; and generally relating to the granting of a deferral from the service obligation