

(1) May not be used to supplant funds of any other program; and

(2) May not exceed the amount necessary to reimburse 50 persons a year.

SUBTITLE 16. LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT PROGRAM

18-1601.

(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(B) (1) "ELIGIBLE EMPLOYMENT" MEANS BEING EMPLOYED IN THE STATE BY AN ORGANIZATION, INSTITUTION, ASSOCIATION, SOCIETY, OR CORPORATION THAT IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER § 501(C)(3) OR (4) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986.

(2) "ELIGIBLE EMPLOYMENT" INCLUDES BEING EMPLOYED BY THE STATE OR ANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN THE STATE, BUT DOES NOT INCLUDE BEING EMPLOYED AS A JUDICIAL CLERK IN ANY COURT.

(C) "HIGHER EDUCATION LOAN" MEANS ANY LOAN FOR UNDERGRADUATE OR GRADUATE STUDY THAT IS OBTAINED FROM A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY OR FROM AN ELIGIBLE LENDER UNDER THE GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM.

18-1602.

(A) THERE IS A PROGRAM OF A LOAN ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT IN THE STATE.

(B) THE STATE SCHOLARSHIP ADMINISTRATION SHALL ASSIST IN THE REPAYMENT OF THE AMOUNT OF ANY HIGHER EDUCATION LOAN OWED BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO:

(1) RECEIVES A GRADUATE, PROFESSIONAL, OR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE FROM A COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND;

(2) OBTAINS ELIGIBLE EMPLOYMENT;

(3) RECEIVES AN INCOME THAT IS LESS THAN THE MAXIMUM ELIGIBLE TOTAL INCOME LEVELS ESTABLISHED BY THE ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF INCOME; AND

(4) SATISFIES ANY OTHER CRITERIA ESTABLISHED BY THE ADMINISTRATION.

18-1603.

(A) THE STATE SCHOLARSHIP ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO ESTABLISH: