

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2000.

Approved May 18, 2000.

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**CHAPTER 581**

**(House Bill 231)**

AN ACT concerning

**Higher Education – Student Financial Assistance and Scholarships**

FOR the purpose of allowing graduates of a high school outside of Maryland to be eligible for a Guaranteed Access Grant under the Educational Excellence Awards Program; allowing recipients of certain State scholarships, grants, or awards to also hold certain other State scholarships, grants, or awards; making certain recipients of a Maryland HOPE Scholarship or a Maryland teacher scholarship that was awarded during a certain period eligible for certain student financial assistance; requiring Maryland residency as a condition of eligibility for the Edward T. Conroy Memorial Scholarship and tuition assistance for career or volunteer firefighter, ambulance or rescue squad members; requiring enrollment in a degree-granting or terminal certificate program as a condition of eligibility for the Edward T. Conroy Memorial Scholarship; repealing the requirement that the service obligation of recipients of Economic Development Student Assistant Grants awarded to train physical therapists, physical therapy assistants, occupational therapists, and occupational therapy assistants be served in a school or State therapeutic hospital; allowing graduates of a high school outside of Maryland to be eligible for a Maryland HOPE Scholarship; and generally relating to student financial assistance and scholarships.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

~~Section 18-303(c)(1), 18-601(d), 18-603, and 18-704(a)(9)~~

Section 18-303(a) and (c)(1), 18-601(d), 18-603, 18-704(a)(9), and 18-2208

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BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18-601(b) and (c) and 18-704(a)(1) and (b)(1)

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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education

Section 18-2303**(b)**