

BY adding to

Article - Education

Section 16-302.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

Article 43C - Maryland Health and Higher Educational Facilities Authority

3.

As used in this article, the following words and terms shall have the following meanings unless the context indicates another or different meaning or intent:

(f) (1) (I) "Institution for higher education" shall mean an educational institution situated within the State which by virtue of law or charter is a public or other nonprofit educational institution empowered to provide a program of education beyond the high school level and awards a bachelor's or advanced degree or provides a program of not less than two (2) years' duration which is accepted for full credit toward a bachelor's degree, and which meets the standards, rules and regulations prescribed by the Maryland Higher Education Commission and is thereby empowered to issue a certificate, diploma or degree pursuant to Title 12 of the Education Article of the Maryland Code. [This] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THIS term shall not mean any institution owned and operated by the State.

(II) "INSTITUTION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION" INCLUDES:

1. A COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR WHICH A BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRUSTEES IS ESTABLISHED UNDER § 16-101 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE;

2. A REGIONAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE ESTABLISHED UNDER § 16-202 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE;

3. THE BALTIMORE CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ESTABLISHED UNDER § 16-501 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE; AND

4. THE COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND ESTABLISHED UNDER § 16-603 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.

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(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.