

This bill expands the eligibility criteria for the Maryland Teacher Scholarship Program to allow part-time graduate students to participate in the Program. The annual scholarship award for a part-time graduate student is \$2,500.

Senate Bill 206, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 299.

Sincerely,  
Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

### House Bill No. 299

AN ACT concerning

### Higher Education - Student Financial Assistance - Maryland Teacher Scholarship

FOR the purpose of expanding the eligibility and renewability requirements for the Maryland Teacher Scholarship to certain part-time students who are pursuing a graduate degree in teaching; and generally relating to the Maryland Teacher Scholarship program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 18-2203 ~~and 18-2205~~, 18-2205, and 18-2206

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 - Education

18-2203.

(a) The Administration shall annually select eligible students and offer a scholarship to each student selected to be used at an eligible institution of their choice.

(b) A recipient of the Maryland Teacher Scholarship shall:

(1) Be a Maryland resident;

(2) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, be accepted for admission [as a full-time student or be] OR currently enrolled at an eligible institution as a full-time UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT OR A FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME GRADUATE student pursuing a course of study or program in an academic discipline leading to a Maryland professional teacher's certificate;