SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

Approved April 25, 2002.

## **CHAPTER 105**

(House Bill 899)

AN ACT concerning

## Maryland National Guard - Tuition Assistance

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Military Department to provide tuition assistance to members of the Maryland National Guard for postsecondary vocational-technical or trade course work under certain circumstances; and generally relating to tuition assistance for members of the Maryland National Guard.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 65 - Militia

Section 12A

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

## Article 65 - Militia

12A.

- (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
  - (2) "Institution" means:
- (i) Any campus of the University System of Maryland, any community college established pursuant to Title 16 of the Education Article, Morgan State University, or St. Mary's College; [or]
- (ii) Any private institution of higher education that grants a member a tuition waiver of at least 50 percent;
- (III) ANY PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY VOCATIONAL–TECHNICAL OR TRADE SCHOOL; OR
- (IV) ANY PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY VOCATIONAL—TECHNICAL OR TRADE SCHOOL THAT GRANTS A MEMBER A TUITION WAIVER OF AT LEAST 50 PERCENT.
  - (3) "Member" means any Guard person who: