

adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to tuition charges for certain individuals attending public institutions of higher education in the State.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 15–106.3

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

Article – Education

15–106.3.

(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

- (1) AN ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES;
- (2) THE SPOUSE OF AN ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES;
- (3) A FINANCIALLY DEPENDENT CHILD OF AN ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES; OR
- (4) AN HONORABLY DISCHARGED VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.

(B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE, BEGINNING WITH THE 2004 FALL SEMESTER, AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION WHO REGISTERS AS AN ENTERING STUDENT IN A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE IS EXEMPT FROM PAYING NONRESIDENT TUITION AT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THIS STATE IF:

- (1) THE ACTIVE DUTY MEMBER REFERRED TO IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION:
 - (I) IS STATIONED IN THIS STATE;
 - (II) RESIDES IN THIS STATE; OR
 - (III) IS DOMICILED IN THIS STATE; OR
- (2) THE HONORABLY DISCHARGED VETERAN PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION WITHIN 1 YEAR AFTER THE VETERAN'S DISCHARGE:
 - (I) EVIDENCE THAT THE VETERAN ATTENDED A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THIS STATE FOR AT LEAST 3 YEARS; AND