## **CHAPTER 413**

### (House Bill 1307)

## AN ACT concerning

# Higher Education - William Donald Schaefer Scholarship Program

FOR the purpose of establishing the William Donald Schaefer Scholarship Program; establishing the William Donald Schaefer Scholarship Advisory Council within the Maryland Higher Education Commission; authorizing the Commission to make scholarship awards, not to exceed a certain amount per recipient, which may be used at certain institutions of higher education for certain purposes; requiring a scholarship recipient to meet certain eligibility criteria to obtain and retain an award; requiring a recipient to sign an agreement that upon graduation the recipient will commence employment in public service within a certain period or else repay the State the amount of the scholarship award; specifying that funds for the Program shall be as provided by the Governor in the annual budget, subject to a certain maximum amount for certain fiscal years; establishing a certain scholarship Fund to receive money and other property; and generally relating to the establishment of the William Donald Schaefer Scholarship Program for students studying to enter public service.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 11-106

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

#### BY adding to

Article - Education

Section 18-2701 through 18-2708 18-2707, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 27. William Donald Schaefer Scholarship Program"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

## Preamble

WHEREAS, William Donald Schaefer, a lifelong Maryland resident, has held elective public office in State and local government in Maryland for 45 years, having served for 12 years as a member of the Baltimore City Council from 1955 to 1967, for 4 years as President of the Baltimore City Council from 1967 to 1971, for 15 years as Mayor of the City of Baltimore from 1971 to 1986, for 8 years as Governor from 1987 to 1995 and, after a brief hiatus, most recently, for the past 5 years as State Comptroller since 1999; and

WHEREAS, In addition to his service as an elected official, Mr. Schaefer has endeavored to share his passion for public service with individuals who aspire to take