

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

Approved May 21, 1998.

CHAPTER 729

(House Bill 1152)

AN ACT concerning

Construction Apprenticeship Assistance Program

FOR the purpose of establishing a Construction Apprenticeship Assistance Program in the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation; requiring the Division of Employment and Training to administer the Program; requiring the Program to award certain grants as provided by the State budget and based on certain criteria; authorizing the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation to adopt certain regulations; requiring the grants to be distributed at a certain time and to a certain extent; and generally relating to the Construction Apprenticeship Assistance Program.

BY adding to

Article - Labor and Employment

Section 11-601 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 6. Miscellaneous Programs"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1991 Volume and 1997 Supplement).

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

Article - Labor and Employment

SUBTITLE 6. MISCELLANEOUS PROGRAMS.

11-601.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, "PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITY" MEANS A PERSON THAT THE MARYLAND APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COUNCIL APPROVES UNDER § 11-405(B) OF THIS TITLE.

(B) THERE IS A CONSTRUCTION APPRENTICESHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT.

(C) THE PURPOSE OF THE CONSTRUCTION APPRENTICESHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS TO DEVELOP A WELL-TRAINED, PRODUCTIVE CONSTRUCTION WORKFORCE WHICH MEETS THE NEEDS OF THE STATE'S ECONOMY.