

HOUSE BILL 858

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By: **Delegate Hornberger**

Introduced and read first time: January 29, 2021

Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Higher Education – Active Duty Law Enforcement Officers – Tuition Exemption**

3 FOR the purpose of exempting certain active duty law enforcement officers from paying
4 tuition at public institutions of higher education in the State under certain
5 circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to a tuition exemption
6 for active duty law enforcement officers at public institutions of higher education in
7 the State.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Education

10 Section 15–106.11

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Education**

16 **15–106.11.**

17 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS
18 INDICATED.

19 (2) “LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN §
20 3–101 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE.

21 (3) “PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION” HAS THE
22 MEANING STATED IN § 11–206.1 OF THIS ARTICLE.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(B) AN ACTIVE DUTY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IS EXEMPT FROM**
2 **PAYING TUITION AT A PUBLIC INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE STATE**
3 **IF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:**

4 **(1) LIVES AND WORKS IN THE STATE; AND**

5 **(2) IS SEEKING A DEGREE THAT IS RELATED TO:**

6 **(I) CONFLICT RESOLUTION;**

7 **(II) COMMUNITY RELATIONS; OR**

8 **(III) CRIMINAL JUSTICE.**

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
10 1, 2021.