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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Maryland Technology Internship Program - Units of State Government

3 FOR the purpose of altering the purpose of the Maryland Technology Internship Program; 4 altering the minimum grade point average that an individual shall maintain to 5 qualify for participation in the Program with a unit of State government; altering 6 the qualifications that a unit of State government must meet to participate in the 7 Program; authorizing money awarded for the Program to be used for reimbursing 8 the University of Maryland Baltimore County for a certain percentage of a stipend 9 paid to an intern working with a unit of State government, but not more than a certain amount for a semester; prohibiting money awarded for the Program to total 10 11 more than a certain amount each year for each intern; authorizing the maximum 12 reimbursement amounts to be increased under certain circumstances; requiring the 13 Governor, beginning in a certain fiscal year, to include in the annual budget bill a 14 certain appropriation to the Program to be used for certain purposes; making 15 conforming changes; and generally relating to the Maryland Technology Internship 16 Program and internships with units of State government.

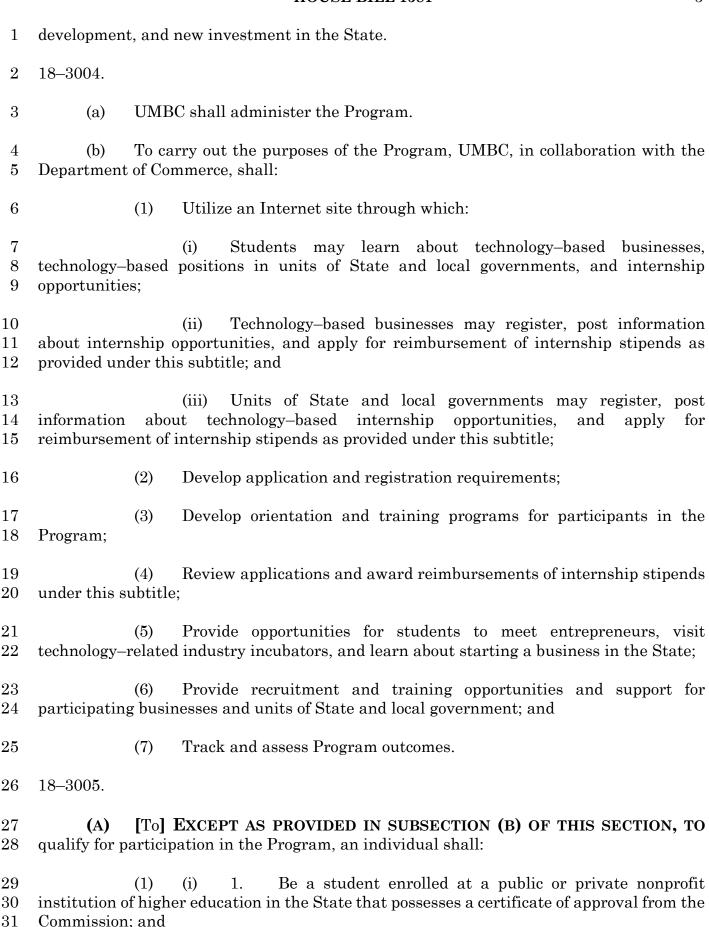
- 17 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 18 Article Education
- 19 Section 18–3001, 18–3002, 18–3004, 18–3007, and 18–3009
- 20 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 21 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)
- 22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 23 Article Education
- 24 Section 18–3003, 18–3005, 18–3006, 18–3008, and 18–3010
- 25 Annotated Code of Maryland
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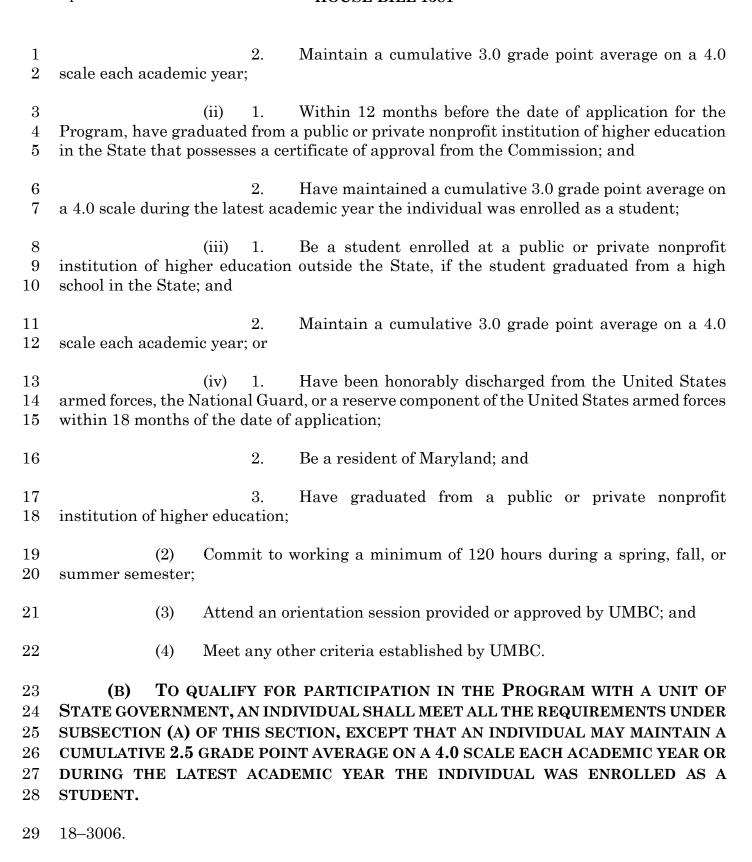
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1 2 3	Section 18–3008.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)
4 5	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
6	Article - Education
7	18–3001.
8	(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
9	(b) "Program" means the Maryland Technology Internship Program.
10	(c) "Technology-based business" means a commercial or an industrial enterprise engaged in the application of scientific knowledge to practical purposes in a particular field.
12	(d) "UMBC" means the University of Maryland Baltimore County.
13	18–3002.
4	There is a Maryland Technology Internship Program.
15	18–3003.
6	The purposes of the Program are to:
17 18 19	(1) Connect college and university students, recent graduates, and veterans with UNITS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND small innovative businesses in the high-growth technology sector through internships;
20 21	(2) Encourage high–achieving students at institutions of higher education in the State to remain in the State after graduation;
22 23	(3) Increase student understanding of employment opportunities in the State;
24 25 26	(4) Create connections between students, UNITS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, and community business leaders and entrepreneurs and TO develop opportunities for student involvement in communities;
27 28 29	(5) Assist UNITS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND small technology—based businesses in developing internship programs and recruiting future employees; and

Foster business retention and development, job creation, workforce

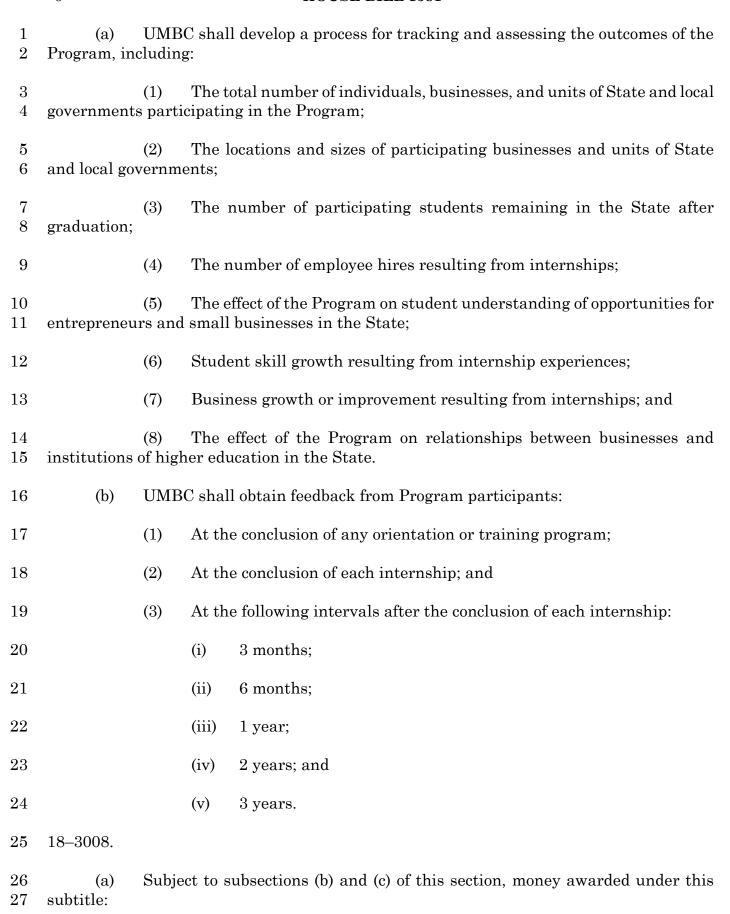




30 (a) To qualify for participation in the Program, a **TECHNOLOGY-BASED** business 31 **OR UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT** shall:

1	(1) Be located in the State;
2	[(2) Be a technology–based business;]
3 4	[(3)] (2) Commit to hosting an intern for a minimum of 120 hours during a spring, fall, or summer semester;
5 6	[(4)] (3) Provide a detailed description of an intern position with the business OR UNIT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT; and
7 8	[(5)] (4) Provide proof that a representative has attended an orientation or training program provided or approved by UMBC.
9 10	(b) To qualify for participation in the Program, a unit of State [or local] government shall:
11 12	(1) Commit to hosting an intern for a minimum of 120 hours during a spring, fall, or summer semester;
13 14	(2) Provide a detailed description of a technology—based intern position with the unit; [and]
15 16	(3) Provide proof that a representative has attended an orientation or training program provided or approved by UMBC;
17	(4) PAY AN INTERN \$17 PER HOUR;
18 19	(5) IDENTIFY A STAFF MEMBER WHO WILL SERVE AS THE SUPERVISOR AND MENTOR OF AN INTERN;
20 21	(6) PROVIDE A SUBSTANTIVE TECHNICAL PROJECT FOR THE INTERN TO COMPLETE DURING THE INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE; AND
22	(7) FOR A SUMMER INTERN:
23 24 25	(I) PROVIDE A CAPSTONE PROJECT DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR THE INTERN TO COMPLETE DURING THE INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE; AND
26 27 28	(II) PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR AN INTERN TO GIVE A PRESENTATION ON THE CAPSTONE PROJECT DURING A CONCLUDING SUMMER CEREMONY.

29 18-3007.



- 1 (1) May be used to reimburse a technology-based business or a unit of 2 [State or] local government up to 50% of a stipend paid to an intern, but not more than:
- 3 (i) \$1,800 for the first semester; and
- 4 (ii) \$1,200 for the second semester; and
- 5 (2) May total not more than \$3,000 each year for each intern.
- 6 (b) The maximum reimbursement amounts established in subsection (a) of this 7 section may be increased in accordance with changes in employment market conditions as 8 jointly determined by UMBC and the Department of Commerce.
- 9 (c) At least 50% of the internships supported by the Program each year shall be 10 with businesses that have not more than 150 employees.
- 11 **18–3008.1.**
- 12 (A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, MONEY AWARDED 13 UNDER THIS SUBTITLE:
- 14 (1) MAY BE USED TO REIMBURSE UMBC UP TO 100% OF A STIPEND
- 15 PAID TO AN INTERN WORKING WITH A UNIT OF STATE GOVERNMENT, BUT NOT MORE
- 16 THAN \$2,040 FOR A SEMESTER; AND
- 17 (2) MAY NOT TOTAL MORE THAN \$7,000 EACH YEAR FOR EACH
- 18 INTERN.
- 19 **(B)** The maximum reimbursement amounts established in
- 20 SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION MAY BE INCREASED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
- 21 CHANGES IN EMPLOYMENT MARKET CONDITIONS AS JOINTLY DETERMINED BY
- 22 UMBC AND THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.
- 23 18–3009.
- 24 (a) At the end of each fiscal year, UMBC shall prepare an annual report that
- 25 includes an accounting of all financial receipts and expenditures that relate to the Program.
- 26 (b) UMBC shall submit a copy of the report to the General Assembly in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article.
- 28 18–3010.
- 29 (A) The Governor annually shall include funds in the State budget for:

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1	(1) The reimbursement of internship stipends under this subtitle; and
2	(2) UMBC to administer the Program.
3 4	(B) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET BILL AN APPROPRIATION OF
5	\$200,000 TO THE PROGRAM TO BE USED FOR:
6	(1) REIMBURSEMENTS FOR INTERNS;
7	(2) PROGRAM COSTS UP TO \$10,000, INCLUDING RECRUITING,
8	ORIENTATION, AND CONCLUDING CEREMONIES; AND
9	(3) SUPPORT STAFF COSTS UP TO \$32,000.
0	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July