

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

Article 100 - Work, Labor and Employment

124.

(a) After receiving recommendations from the State council and subject to the procedures in § 121(d), the Governor may to the extent funds are available, implement for fiscal year 1984 a pilot program of tuition reimbursements for the enrollment of eligible unemployed workers in vocational or technical programs in community colleges and State approved proprietary schools.

(b) [For fiscal years 1984 and 1985, to] TO the extent that State funds become available and subject to the procedures in § 121(d), after receiving recommendations from the State council regarding the utilization of State funds to supplement federal funds for employment and training services, supportive services, and for related services such as training allowances and stipends, the Governor may allocate an amount for such purposes in accordance with State budget procedures.

125.

(a) In this section, "classroom training" means training conducted in a classroom or in an institutional setting with funds provided under the federal act including institutional training with private sector employers but not including on-the-job training as defined in the federal act.

(b) To the extent that State funds are made available under § 124(b) of this subtitle, the Secretary of Employment and Training may provide payments [to individuals as training allowances for assistance in meeting living expenses while enrolled in classroom training programs] AS TRAINING ALLOWANCES TO PROVIDE FOR SUPPORT SERVICES SUCH AS TRANSPORTATION AND CHILD CARE TO INDIVIDUALS WHO REQUIRE SUCH SERVICES IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN CLASSROOM TRAINING PROGRAMS.

(c) (1) A payment to an individual under this section shall be based on [the actual number of hours that the individual participates in a classroom training program times an hourly rate. The hourly rate shall be established by the Secretary for all State programs and by the Private Industry Council and administrating agency for a local program in a service delivery area.] THE ACTUAL COSTS OF THE SERVICE NEEDS, OR AN APPROXIMATION OF THESE COSTS UNDER A FLAT RATE SYSTEM. THE PAYMENT SYSTEM SHALL BE ESTABLISHED BY THE SECRETARY FOR ALL STATE PROGRAMS AND BY THE PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATING AGENCY FOR A LOCAL PROGRAM IN A SERVICE DELIVERY AREA.