

# HOUSE BILL 456

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By: **Delegates Fair, Ebersole, and Grossman**  
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Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **County Boards of Education – Student Members – Voting Rights and**  
3 **Participation in Executive Sessions**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that student members on certain county boards of education  
5 may vote on certain matters and may attend certain executive or special sessions  
6 under certain circumstances; providing that student members of county boards have  
7 certain voting rights and may attend certain executive or special sessions; and  
8 generally relating to the rights and privileges of student members of county boards  
9 of education.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

11 Article – Education

12 Section 3–105, 3–108.1(m), 3–201(a), (b), and (f), 3–204(c), 3–2A–06, 3–2B–05,  
13 3–301(a), (b), (d), and (h), 3–303, 3–3A–01(d)(2), 3–3A–02(a), (f), and (h),  
14 3–3A–04, 3–3A–05, 3–401(a) and (f), 3–4A–01(a) and (f), 3–501(h), 3–5A–01(a)  
15 and (g), 3–5B–01(a) and (e), 3–601(b) and (f), 3–6A–01(g), 3–701(f), 3–801(a)  
16 and (d), 3–901(e), 3–10A–01, 3–10A–04, 3–1101(a) through (f), 3–12A–01(a),  
17 (e), and (f), 3–12A–04, 3–12A–06, and 3–1401(a), (b), (d), and (h)

18 Annotated Code of Maryland

19 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

20 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

21 Article – Education

22 Section 3–108.1(c) and (d), 3–2A–01(a), 3–2B–01(a), 3–501(a)(1), 3–601(a),  
23 3–6A–01(a) and (b), 3–701(a)(1), and 3–901(a) and (b)

24 Annotated Code of Maryland

25 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

26 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

27 Article – Education

28 Section 3–1002(a), (b), and (f)(1) and (4)

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Annotated Code of Maryland  
2 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)  
3 (As enacted by Chapter 217 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022)

4 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
5 Article – Education  
6 Section 3–1002(f)(3) and (5)  
7 Annotated Code of Maryland  
8 (2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)  
9 (As enacted by Chapter 217 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2022)

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

12 **Article – Education**

13 3–105.

14 (a) Subsections (b), (c), and (d) of this section do not apply to a county if the  
15 number of members of the county board is regulated by other provisions of this title.

16 (b) If a county school system has an enrollment of less than 50,000 students, the  
17 county board shall have five members, except that:

18 (1) The Worcester County Board shall have the number of members  
19 provided in subsection (e) of this section; and

20 (2) Any county board that had more than five members on July 1, 1969,  
21 shall retain that number of members.

22 (c) If a county school system has an enrollment of 50,000 students or more but  
23 less than 100,000 students, the county board shall have seven members.

24 (d) If a county school system has an enrollment of 100,000 students or more, the  
25 county board shall have nine members except as provided in § 3–901 of this title for  
26 Montgomery County and § 3–1002 of this title for Prince George’s County.

27 (e) The Worcester County Board consists of seven voting members and one  
28 [nonvoting] student member from each public high school in the county.

29 **(F) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, IF A COUNTY**  
30 **BOARD OF EDUCATION WITHOUT A STUDENT MEMBER ADDS A STUDENT MEMBER TO**  
31 **THE BOARD ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2024, THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE ON ANY**  
32 **MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

1                   **(I) THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
2 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

3                   **(II) HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

4                   **(III) APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF THIS**  
5 **ARTICLE.**

6                   **(2) ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE NONSTUDENT**  
7 **MEMBERS, A COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH A STUDENT**  
8 **MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

9                   **(3) IF A COUNTY BOARD ADDS A STUDENT MEMBER, THE STUDENT**  
10 **MEMBER MAY ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN AN EXECUTIVE OR SPECIAL SESSION OF**  
11 **THE COUNTY BOARD ON A MATTER FOR WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

12 3-108.1.

13           (c) There is a Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners of the Baltimore  
14 City Public School System.

15           (d) (1) The board consists of:

16                   (i) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, nine  
17 voting members appointed by the Mayor from a list of qualified individuals submitted to  
18 the Mayor by the panel;

19                   (ii) Two elected voting members; and

20                   (iii) One voting student member elected as provided in subsection (m)  
21 of this section.

22           (2) If the Mayor elects not to appoint a member from a list submitted by  
23 the panel under paragraph (1)(i) of this subsection, the Mayor shall reconvene the panel to  
24 submit additional names of qualified candidates.

25           (m) (1) The student member shall be a student regularly enrolled in the  
26 student's junior or senior year of high school in the Baltimore City Public School System  
27 who shall be elected by the high school students of the Baltimore City Public School System,  
28 in accordance with procedures established by the board in collaboration with the Associated  
29 Student Congress of Baltimore City.

30           (2) The term of a student member is 1 year.

31           (3) A student member may not serve more than two consecutive full terms.

1           (4) [The] **SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPHS (5) AND (6) OF THIS SUBSECTION,**  
 2 **THE** student member may vote on [matters] **ANY MATTER** before the board, including  
 3 [those relating] **A MATTER THAT RELATES** to:

- 4           (i) Capital and operating budgets;
- 5           (ii) School closings, reopenings, and boundaries; and
- 6           (iii) Student disciplinary matters.

7           (5) [The] **SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (6) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE**  
 8 student member may not vote on [matters] **A MATTER** before the board [relating to  
 9 personnel and collective bargaining decisions] **THAT RELATES TO:**

10           **(I) THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
 11 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

12           **(II) HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

13           **(III) APPEALS TO THE BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

14           **(6) ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE NONSTUDENT**  
 15 **MEMBERS, THE BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE STUDENT**  
 16 **MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

17           ~~[(6)]~~ **(7)** The student member may attend or participate in an executive  
 18 or special session of the board **ON A MATTER FOR WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY**  
 19 **VOTE.**

20 3-201.

21           (a) (1) In this subtitle, “elected member” means a voting member elected under  
 22 subsection (d) or (e) of this section or a member appointed to an elected position on the  
 23 county board under subsection (e)(3) of this section.

24           (2) “Elected member” does not include the [nonvoting] student member  
 25 selected under subsection (f) of this section.

26           (b) The Allegany County Board consists of:

27           (1) Five elected members; and

28           (2) One [nonvoting] student member, who is to advise the other members  
 29 of the county board on the viewpoint of students who attend Allegany County public schools.

1 (f) (1) The [nonvoting] student member of the county board shall be:

2 (i) A twelfth grade student, in good standing, and regularly enrolled  
3 in an Allegany County public school;

4 (ii) A resident of Allegany County for at least 2 years; and

5 (iii) Of good character.

6 (2) The [nonvoting] student member shall be nominated and elected for a  
7 1-year term during the school year prior to the school year that the member is to serve on  
8 the county board in accordance with procedures adopted by the Allegany County  
9 Association of Student Councils.

10 (3) If a vacancy occurs in the student member's position before the end of  
11 the term, a qualified student shall be selected for the remainder of the term in accordance  
12 with procedures of the Allegany County Association of Student Councils.

13 (4) (I) **SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
14 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT**  
15 **A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

16 1. **THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
17 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

18 2. **HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

19 3. **APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF**  
20 **THIS ARTICLE.**

21 (II) **ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED**  
22 **MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE**  
23 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

24 3-204.

25 (c) [A nonvoting] **THE** student member may not attend executive sessions of the  
26 county board **RELATING TO MATTERS ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY NOT**  
27 **VOTE.**

28 3-2A-01.

29 (a) The Anne Arundel County Board of Education consists of:

30 (1) Seven nonpartisan elected members; and

1 (2) One student member.

2 3-2A-06.

3 (A) The affirmative vote of at least five members of the county board is required  
4 for the approval of any action.

5 (B) (1) **SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE STUDENT**  
6 **MEMBER MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT A**  
7 **MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

8 (I) **THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
9 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

10 (II) **HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

11 (III) **APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF THIS**  
12 **ARTICLE.**

13 (2) **ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE BY A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED**  
14 **MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE**  
15 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

16 3-2B-01.

17 (a) The Baltimore County Board of Education consists of:

18 (1) Seven nonpartisan elected members;

19 (2) Four appointed members; and

20 (3) One student member.

21 3-2B-05.

22 (a) The student member shall:

23 (1) Be an 11th or a 12th grade student in the Baltimore County public  
24 school system elected by the middle school and high school students of the county in  
25 accordance with procedures established by the Baltimore County student councils;

26 (2) Serve for 1 year; and

27 (3) Advise the county board on the thoughts and feelings of students.

1 (b) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the county  
2 board, the student member may not attend an executive session that relates to [:

3 (1) Hearings on appeals of special education placements;

4 (2) Hearings held under § 6–202(a) of this article; or

5 (3) Collective bargaining] **A MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER**  
6 **MAY NOT VOTE.**

7 (c) Subject to subsection (d) of this section, the student member may vote on all  
8 matters except [those relating] **A MATTER THAT RELATES** to:

9 (1) [§ 6–202(a) of this article] **THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER**  
10 **DISCIPLINARY ACTION INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

11 (2) [Collective bargaining] **HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6–202 OF THIS**  
12 **ARTICLE;** and

13 (3) [School closings, reopenings, and boundaries] **APPEALS TO THE**  
14 **COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4–205 OF THIS ARTICLE.**

15 (d) On a majority vote of the nonstudent members, the county board may  
16 [determine]:

17 (1) **DETERMINE**, on a case–by–case basis, whether a matter under  
18 consideration is covered by the exclusionary provisions listed in subsection (c) of this  
19 section; **AND**

20 (2) **EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY**  
21 **VOTE.**

22 (e) (1) On or before December 31, 2023, a workgroup composed of several  
23 members of the county board and the executive leadership of the Baltimore County public  
24 school system shall develop a draft curriculum for budget training for student members of  
25 the county board and submit the draft curriculum to the county board for review.

26 (2) The training for student members shall:

27 (i) Focus on the operating and capital budget process of the county  
28 board; and

29 (ii) Be facilitated by representatives of the Baltimore County public  
30 school system’s Division of Business Services.

1            [(3) Each student member shall be required to complete the budget  
2 training:

3            (i) Within 2 months of the student member's election to the county  
4 board; and

5            (ii) In order to be eligible to vote on budgetary matters.]

6 3-301.

7            (a) The Calvert County Board consists of five [voting] **ELECTED** members and  
8 one [nonvoting] student member.

9            (b) The five [voting] **ELECTED** members of the Calvert County Board shall be  
10 elected at a general election as required by subsections (d) and (f) of this section.

11            (d) Of the five [voting] **ELECTED** members of the county board:

12            (1) One shall be elected from each of the three county commissioner  
13 districts; and

14            (2) Two shall be elected from the county at large.

15            (h) (1) The student member shall:

16            (i) Be an eleventh or twelfth grade student in the Calvert County  
17 public school system elected by the high school students of the county in accordance with  
18 procedures established by the school system;

19            (ii) Serve for 1 year beginning on June 1;

20            (iii) **[Be] SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, BE**  
21 a [nonvoting] **VOTING** member; and

22            (iv) Advise the board on the thoughts and feelings of the students.

23            (2) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the  
24 **ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE** county board, the student may not attend an executive  
25 session **RELATING TO A MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY NOT VOTE.**

26            **(3) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
27 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT**  
28 **A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

29            **1. THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
30 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**





1 (iii) 1. Serve for a term of 1 year; and

2 2. If the student is in the twelfth grade, continue to serve  
3 after graduation and until a successor is selected and qualifies.

4 (2) Each high school in the county shall be represented by a student  
5 member of the county board.

6 (3) (i) For nomination to the county board, the student body shall  
7 submit to the principal of the high school a list of nominees that contains the names of  
8 eligible students.

9 (ii) The principal of the high school shall select the student member  
10 from the list of nominees submitted to the principal under subparagraph (i) of this  
11 paragraph.

12 (4) If a vacancy in the position of student member occurs during the term  
13 of a student member, the principal of the high school represented on the county board shall  
14 select another student member using the method set forth under paragraph (3) of this  
15 subsection.

16 **(5) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, A**  
17 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT**  
18 **A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

19 **1. THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
20 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

21 **2. HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

22 **3. APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF**  
23 **THIS ARTICLE.**

24 **(II) ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE**  
25 **NONSTUDENT MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON**  
26 **WHICH A STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

27 **(6) THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY NOT ATTEND EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**  
28 **OF THE COUNTY BOARD RELATING TO MATTERS ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER**  
29 **MAY NOT VOTE.**

30 (h) (1) In the event of a vacancy of an elected member on the county board due  
31 to death, resignation, disqualification, or removal, the remaining [voting] NONSTUDENT

1 members shall select a qualified individual to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term  
2 of the vacating member and until a successor is elected and qualifies.

3 (2) An individual appointed to fill a vacancy for an elected member shall be  
4 a resident of the same board of education district as that of the vacating member.

5 (3) Before filling a vacancy for an elected member, the remaining [voting]  
6 NONSTUDENT members of the county board shall conduct an interview of each applicant  
7 at an open meeting.

8 (4) (i) The county board shall publish a list of the names of the  
9 applicants for a vacancy on the county board at least 2 weeks before the interview of the  
10 first applicant is scheduled to occur.

11 (ii) The county board shall cause public notice of the date, time, and  
12 location of the interview for each applicant to be published:

13 1. At least 2 weeks before the interview is scheduled to occur;  
14 and

15 2. In the same manner as public notice of a regular meeting  
16 of the county board is published.

17 (5) The county board is not required to conduct discussions of the  
18 applicants or make the final selection of the elected member to fill the vacancy at an open  
19 meeting.

20 3-3A-04.

21 (a) At its first meeting in December of each year, the [voting] NONSTUDENT  
22 members of the county board shall elect a president and vice president from among its  
23 members.

24 (b) In the event of a vacancy in the office of president or vice president of the  
25 county board, the [voting] NONSTUDENT members of the county board shall elect a new  
26 officer to fill the vacancy within 30 days after the vacancy occurs.

27 3-3A-05.

28 (a) The president of the county board is entitled to receive \$4,000 annually as  
29 compensation, and the other [voting] NONSTUDENT members are entitled to receive  
30 \$3,500 each annually as compensation.

31 (b) As provided in the Caroline County budget, each [voting] NONSTUDENT  
32 member is entitled to an allowance for travel and other expenses.

1 (c) A [voting] NONSTUDENT member is not eligible for any fringe benefit  
2 provided by the Caroline County Public School System, the Caroline County Board of  
3 Education, or the County Commissioners of Caroline County, including:

4 (1) Health insurance;

5 (2) Life insurance; and

6 (3) A pension.

7 3-401.

8 (a) The Carroll County Board consists of:

9 (1) Five voting members;

10 (2) Subject to subsection (f) of this section, one [nonvoting] VOTING  
11 student [representative] MEMBER; and

12 (3) The County Commissioners, who are nonvoting ex officio members.

13 (f) (1) The student [representative] MEMBER shall:

14 (i) Be an eleventh or twelfth grade student in the Carroll County  
15 public school system elected by the high school students of the county in accordance with  
16 procedures established by the school system;

17 (ii) Be a student government association representative at the  
18 student's high school;

19 (iii) Serve for 1 year beginning on July 1 after the election of the  
20 student [representative; and] MEMBER;

21 (iv) Advise the county board on the thoughts and feelings of students  
22 in Carroll County public schools; AND

23 (v) **SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, VOTE**  
24 **ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

25 **1. THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
26 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

27 **2. HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

28 **3. APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF**  
29 **THIS ARTICLE.**

1 (2) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the  
 2 county board, the student [representative] MEMBER may not attend an executive session  
 3 of the county board **RELATING TO A MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY**  
 4 **NOT VOTE.**

5 (3) **ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED**  
 6 **MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE**  
 7 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

8 3-4A-01.

9 (a) The Cecil County Board consists of six members as follows:

10 (1) One voting member elected from each of the five commissioner districts;  
 11 and

12 (2) One [nonvoting] VOTING student member.

13 (f) (1) The student member shall:

14 (i) Be an eleventh or twelfth grade student in the Cecil County  
 15 public school system elected by the high school students of the county in accordance with  
 16 procedures established by the school system;

17 (ii) Serve for 1 year beginning on July 1 after the election of the  
 18 member;

19 (iii) [Be] **SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, BE**  
 20 a [nonvoting] VOTING member; and

21 (iv) Advise the county board on the thoughts and feelings of students.

22 (2) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the  
 23 county board, the student member may not attend an executive session **RELATING TO A**  
 24 **MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY NOT VOTE.**

25 (3) (I) **SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
 26 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT**  
 27 **A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

28 1. **THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
 29 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

30 2. **HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**





1           **(3) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
 2 **STUDENT MEMBERS MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD**  
 3 **EXCEPT A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

4                           **1. THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
 5 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

6                           **2. HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

7                           **3. APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF**  
 8 **THIS ARTICLE.**

9                           **(II) ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE**  
 10 **NONSTUDENT VOTING MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS**  
 11 **ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBERS MAY VOTE.**

12 3-5B-01.

13           (a) The Frederick County Board consists of eight members as follows:

14                   (1) Seven members elected from the county at large; and

15                   (2) One [nonvoting] student member.

16           (e) (1) The student member shall:

17                   (i) Be an eleventh or twelfth grade student in the Frederick County  
 18 public school system elected by the high school students of the county in accordance with  
 19 procedures established by the school system;

20                   (ii) Serve for 1 year beginning on July 1 after the election of the  
 21 member;

22                   (iii) [Be] **SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, BE**  
 23 **a [nonvoting] VOTING member; and**

24                   (iv) Advise the county board on the thoughts and feelings of students.

25                   (2) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the  
 26 county board, the student member may not attend an executive session **RELATING TO A**  
 27 **MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY NOT VOTE.**

28           **(3) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
 29 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT**  
 30 **A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**



- 1                           **1. THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
2 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**
- 3                           **2. HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6–202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**
- 4                           **3. APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4–205 OF**  
5 **THIS ARTICLE.**

6                           **(II) ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED**  
7 **MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE**  
8 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

9 3–601.

10           (a) (1) In this subtitle, “elected member” means a member of the county board  
11 elected under subsection (b)(1) or (2) of this section or appointed to fill a vacancy under  
12 subsection (e)(3) of this section.

13           (2) “Elected member” does not include the student member selected under  
14 subsection (f) of this section.

15           (b) The Garrett County Board consists of:

16                   (1) One elected member from each county commissioner district;

17                   (2) Two elected members from the county at large; and

18                   (3) One [nonvoting] student member.

19           (f) (1) Each May, the elected members of the county board shall select a  
20 student member, and an alternate to serve in the event of a vacancy in the student  
21 member’s position, from among candidates recommended by the Garrett County  
22 Association of Student Councils.

23                   (2) The term of the student member is 1 year and begins on July 1.

24                   (3) To be considered for the position of student member, or as the alternate  
25 for the student member’s position, a student shall:

26                           (i) Be a sophomore or junior in high school at the time of applying;

27                           (ii) Have attended Garrett County public schools for at least 2 years;

28                           (iii) Be in good academic standing and have maintained a grade  
29 average of at least 80% during the previous 2 academic years; and

1 (iv) Not have experienced significant attendance or disciplinary  
2 problems during the student's high school career.

3 (4) (i) The Garrett County Association of Student Councils shall  
4 propose procedures governing the selection of candidates for the student member's position.

5 (ii) The procedures proposed under this paragraph are subject to the  
6 approval of the elected members of the board.

7 (iii) The procedures adopted under this paragraph shall provide for  
8 the selection of up to four candidates, selected by the Garrett County Association of Student  
9 Councils by secret ballot, for the position of student member. The names of the candidates  
10 shall be forwarded to the elected members of the county board for final selection of the  
11 student member and of an alternate.

12 (5) The student member:

13 (i) Shall attend all regular meetings of the county board;

14 (ii) May attend special public meetings of the county board;

15 (iii) Shall attend all meetings of the Garrett County Association of  
16 Student Councils; and

17 (iv) Shall continue to meet all the requirements for selection to the  
18 student member position.

19 (6) The student member may not attend executive sessions of the county  
20 board **RELATING TO A MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY NOT VOTE.**

21 **(7) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
22 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT**  
23 **A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

24 **1. THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
25 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

26 **2. HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

27 **3. APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF**  
28 **THIS ARTICLE.**

29 **(II) ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED**  
30 **MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE**  
31 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

1 3-6A-01.

2 (a) (1) In this subtitle, “elected member” means a voting member elected under  
3 subsection (d) or (e) of this section or a member appointed to an elected position on the  
4 Harford County Board of Education under subsection (f)(1) of this section.

5 (2) “Elected member” does not include a:

6 (i) County superintendent of schools serving as an ex officio member  
7 of the county board; or

8 (ii) Student member selected under subsection (g) of this section.

9 (b) The county board consists of:

10 (1) Six elected members;

11 (2) Three appointed members;

12 (3) The county superintendent of schools, who is an ex officio nonvoting  
13 member; and

14 (4) One student member.

15 (g) (1) The student member of the county board shall be elected by the high  
16 school students of the county in accordance with procedures established by the Harford  
17 County public school system.

18 (2) The student member shall:

19 (i) Be an eleventh or twelfth grade student, in good standing, and  
20 regularly enrolled in the Harford County public school system;

21 (ii) Be a student government association representative at the  
22 student’s high school;

23 (iii) Serve for 1 year beginning on July 1 after the election of the  
24 member;

25 (iv) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection,  
26 be a voting member; and

27 (v) Advise the county board on the thoughts and feelings of students  
28 in the Harford County public schools.

1           (3) (i) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (iii) of this  
2 paragraph, the student member of the county board has the same rights and privileges as  
3 a member appointed or elected under subsection (d) of this section.

4           (ii) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of  
5 the county board, the student member may not attend an executive session of the county  
6 board addressing a matter on which a student member is prohibited from voting on under  
7 subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph.

8           (iii) **[The] SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (IV) OF THIS**  
9 **PARAGRAPH, THE** student member shall vote on and participate in **[all matters except**  
10 **those relating] ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT A MATTER THAT**  
11 **RELATES** to:

12                           1. Geographical attendance areas under § 4–109 of this  
13 article;

14                           2. Acquisition and disposition of real property and matters  
15 pertaining to school construction under § 4–115 of this article;

16                           3. Employment of architects under § 4–117 of this article;

17                           4. Donations under § 4–118 of this article;

18                           5. Condemnation under § 4–119 of this article;

19                           6. Consolidation of schools and transportation of students  
20 under § 4–120 of this article;

21                           7. Appointment and salary of a county superintendent under  
22 §§ 4–201 and 4–202 of this article;

23                           8. Employee discipline and other appeals under § 4–205(c) of  
24 this article;

25                           9. Budgetary matters under Title 5 of this article;

26                           10. Appointment and promotion of staff under § 6–201 of this  
27 article;

28                           11. Discipline of certificated staff under § 6–202 of this article;

29                           12. Collective bargaining for certificated employees under  
30 Title 6, Subtitle 4 of this article;

31                           13. Collective bargaining for noncertificated employees under  
32 Title 6, Subtitle 5 of this article;

1 14. Student suspension and expulsion under § 7–305 of this  
2 article; and

3 15. School calendar and curriculum]

4 **1. THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
5 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

6 **2. HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6–202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

7 **3. APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4–205 OF**  
8 **THIS ARTICLE.**

9 (IV) ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY THE  
10 NONSTUDENT MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON  
11 WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.

12 3–701.

13 (a) (1) The Howard County Board consists of:

14 (i) Seven elected members; and

15 (ii) One student member.

16 (f) (1) The student member shall be a bona fide resident of Howard County  
17 and a regularly enrolled junior or senior year student from a Howard County public high  
18 school.

19 (2) The student member shall serve for a term of 1 year beginning on July  
20 1 after the member’s election, subject to confirmation of the election results by the county  
21 board.

22 (3) The nomination and election process for the student member:

23 (i) Shall be approved by the Howard County Board of Education;

24 (ii) Shall include a provision that provides for the replacement of one  
25 or both of the final candidates if one or both of them are unable, ineligible, or disqualified  
26 to proceed in the election; and

27 (iii) Shall allow for any student in grades 6 through 11 enrolled in a  
28 Howard County public school to vote directly for one of the two student member candidates.

1           (4) The student member candidate who receives the second highest  
2 number of votes in the direct election:

3           (i) Shall become the alternate student member; and

4           (ii) Shall serve if the student member who is elected is unable,  
5 ineligible, or disqualified to complete the student member's term of office.

6           (5) Except as provided in paragraphs (6) [and], (7), AND (8) of this  
7 subsection, the student member has the same rights and privileges as an elected member.

8           (6) Unless invited to attend by the affirmative vote of a majority of the  
9 county board, the student member may not attend a closed session addressing a matter on  
10 which a student member is prohibited from voting under paragraph (7) of this subsection.

11           (7) **[The] SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (8) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE**  
12 student member shall vote on [all matters except those relating] **ANY MATTER BEFORE**  
13 **THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT A MATTER THAT RELATES** to:

14           (i) Geographical attendance areas under § 4–109 of this article;

15           (ii) Acquisition and disposition of real property and matters  
16 pertaining to school construction under § 4–115 of this article;

17           (iii) Employment of architects under § 4–117 of this article;

18           (iv) Donations under § 4–118 of this article;

19           (v) Condemnation under § 4–119 of this article;

20           (vi) Consolidation of schools and transportation of students under §  
21 4–120 of this article;

22           (vii) Appointment and salary of a county superintendent under §§  
23 4–201 and 4–202 of this article;

24           (viii) Employee discipline and other appeals under § 4–205(c) of this  
25 article;

26           (ix) Budgetary matters under Title 5 of this article;

27           (x) Appointment and promotion of staff under § 6–201 of this article;

28           (xi) Discipline of certificated staff under § 6–202 of this article;

29           (xii) Collective bargaining for certificated employees under Title 6,  
30 Subtitle 4 of this article;

1 (xiii) Collective bargaining for noncertificated employees under Title  
2 6, Subtitle 5 of this article; and

3 (xiv) Student suspension and expulsion under § 7–305 of this article]

4 **(I) THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
5 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

6 **(II) HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6–202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

7 **(III) APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4–205 OF THIS**  
8 **ARTICLE.**

9 **(8) ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED**  
10 **MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE**  
11 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

12 **(9)** The student member may not receive compensation but, after  
13 submitting expense vouchers, shall be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses incurred in  
14 connection with official duties, in accordance with the procedures and regulations  
15 established by the county board.

16 3–801.

17 (a) The Kent County Board consists of:

18 (1) Five voting members; and

19 (2) One [nonvoting] student member.

20 (d) (1) The student member shall:

21 (i) Be a bona fide resident of Kent County;

22 (ii) Be a regularly enrolled junior or senior at the Kent County public  
23 high school elected by the high school students of the county in accordance with paragraph  
24 (2) of this subsection;

25 (iii) Be a member of student government;

26 (iv) Serve for 1 year beginning on July 1 after the election of the  
27 student member; [and]

28 (v) Advise the county board on the thoughts and feelings of students  
29 in the Kent County public schools; **AND**

1                   **(VI) VOTE ON ALL MATTERS EXCEPT FOR A MATTER PROHIBITED**  
2 **UNDER PARAGRAPH (6) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**

3                   (2)   (i)    The process for applying and electing a student as a student  
4 member shall be as set forth in this paragraph.

5                               (ii)   1.    An eligible student shall submit an application to the  
6 county board on a form provided by the county board beginning on January 1 of each year.

7   2.    Each applicant shall deliver a speech to the student body  
8 of Kent County High School.

9                               (iii)  1.    Any high school student in the county may vote directly  
10 for the student member candidates in an election held before May 1 each year.

11    2.    The student member candidate that receives the highest  
12 number of votes shall become the student member.

13                               (iv)   Notice of the results of the election for student member shall be  
14 reported to the County Superintendent on or before May 1 each year.

15                   (3)    If the student member is unable, ineligible, or disqualified to complete  
16 the student member's term of the office, the county board shall appoint a qualified student  
17 to serve for the remainder of the term.

18                   (4)    The student member shall attend:

19                               (i)    The Maryland Association of Boards of Education new student  
20 board member orientation; and

21                               (ii)   All regular meetings of the county board.

22                   (5)    The student member may not attend an executive session of the county  
23 board **THAT RELATES TO A MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY NOT**  
24 **VOTE.**

25                   **(6)   (I)    SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
26 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT**  
27 **A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

28    **1.    THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
29 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

30    **2.    HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**





1 (iii) Vote directly for 1 of the 2 remaining student member  
2 candidates.

3 (3) The candidate receiving the second highest number of votes in the  
4 direct election shall become the alternate student member. The alternate shall serve if the  
5 student member is unable to complete his elected term.

6 (4) Except as provided in paragraphs (5), (6), and (7) of this subsection, the  
7 student member has the same rights and privileges of an elected member.

8 (5) Unless invited to attend by the affirmative vote of a majority of the  
9 county board, the student member may not attend an executive session that relates to  
10 [hearings held under § 6–202(a) of this article] **A MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT**  
11 **MEMBER MAY NOT VOTE.**

12 (6) [As] **EXCEPT AS** provided in paragraph (7) of this subsection, the  
13 student member shall vote on [all matters except those relating] **ANY MATTER BEFORE**  
14 **THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT A MATTER THAT RELATES** to [§ 6–202(a)]:

15 (I) **THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
16 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

17 (II) **HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6–202** of this article; **OR**

18 (III) **APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4–205 OF THIS**  
19 **ARTICLE.**

20 (7) (I) On a majority vote of the elected members, the county board may  
21 determine, on a case by case basis, whether a matter under consideration is covered by the  
22 exclusionary provision in paragraph (6) of this subsection.

23 (II) **ON A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ELECTED MEMBERS, THE**  
24 **COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY**  
25 **VOTE.**

26 3–10A–01.

27 (a) The Queen Anne’s County Board consists of:

28 (1) Five [voting,] nonpartisan, elected members; and

29 (2) One [nonvoting] student [representative] **MEMBER** from each public  
30 high school in the county.

1 (b) The five [voting.] nonpartisan, elected members shall be elected by the voters  
2 of the entire county at a general election in accordance with subsection (c) of this section.

3 (c) (1) (i) One [voting] **ELECTED** member shall reside in and be elected  
4 from each of the four county commissioner districts; and

5 (ii) One **ELECTED** member shall reside in the county and be elected  
6 from the county at large.

7 (2) (i) **[A] AN ELECTED** member from a county commissioner district  
8 who no longer resides in the district may not continue as a member of the county board.

9 (ii) **[A] AN ELECTED** member at large who no longer resides in the  
10 county may not continue as a member of the county board.

11 (3) A candidate elected to the county board shall be a registered voter and  
12 resident of Queen Anne's County for at least 3 years.

13 (d) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, each elected [voting]  
14 member serves for a term of 4 years beginning on the first Monday in December after the  
15 member's election and until a successor is elected and qualifies.

16 (2) The initial terms of the elected [voting] members are staggered as  
17 follows:

18 (i) The three members elected to the county board at the general  
19 election in November 2008 who receive the highest number of votes cast from among the  
20 successful candidates at that election shall serve for a term of 6 years; and

21 (ii) The two members elected to the county board at the general  
22 election in November 2008 who receive the least number of votes cast from among the  
23 successful candidates at that election shall serve for a term of 4 years.

24 (3) (i) In case of a vacancy on the county board, the Governor shall  
25 appoint a qualified person to serve on the county board until a successor is elected and  
26 qualifies.

27 (ii) If the vacancy occurs before the filing deadline for candidates for  
28 the primary election that is held in the second year of the term, the individual appointed  
29 under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph shall serve until a successor is elected at the next  
30 general election and qualifies.

31 (iii) If the vacancy occurs after the filing deadline for candidates for  
32 the primary election that is held in the second year of the term, the individual appointed  
33 under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph shall serve for the remainder of the term of the  
34 vacating member and until a successor is elected at the next general election and qualifies.

1 (e) (1) The [nonvoting] student members of the county board shall be elected  
2 from each of the public high schools in the county by their respective student bodies.

3 (2) Each student member shall:

4 (i) Be an eleventh or twelfth grade student in good standing in the  
5 Queen Anne's County public school system;

6 (ii) Be a student government association representative at the  
7 student's high school;

8 (iii) Serve for 1 year beginning on July 1 after the election of the  
9 member;

10 (iv) [Be nonvoting] **VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY**  
11 **BOARD EXCEPT FOR A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

12 1. **THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
13 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

14 2. **HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

15 3. **APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF**  
16 **THIS ARTICLE; and**

17 (v) Advise the county board on the thoughts and feelings of students  
18 in the Queen Anne's County public schools.

19 (3) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the  
20 county board, the student [member] **MEMBERS** may not attend an executive session of the  
21 county board **THAT RELATES TO A MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBERS MAY**  
22 **NOT VOTE.**

23 (4) **ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED**  
24 **MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE**  
25 **STUDENT MEMBERS MAY VOTE.**

26 3-10A-04.

27 (a) The president of the county board is entitled to receive \$4,000 annually as  
28 compensation and the other [voting] **ELECTED** members each are entitled to receive \$3,500  
29 annually as compensation.

1 (b) The president of the county board and other **ELECTED** members each are  
2 entitled to reimbursement not to exceed \$1,000 a year for travel and other expenses.

3 (c) The Queen Anne's County Commissioners may increase the annual salary of  
4 the county board.

5 3-1101.

6 (a) The St. Mary's Board consists of:

7 (1) Five [voting] **ELECTED** members; and

8 (2) One student member.

9 (b) The student member shall:

10 (1) Be an 11th or 12th grade student in the St. Mary's County Public School  
11 System;

12 (2) Serve for 1 year;

13 (3) [Be a nonvoting member] **VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE**  
14 **COUNTY BOARD, EXCEPT FOR A MATTER PROHIBITED UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(2) OF**  
15 **THIS SECTION;** and

16 (4) Advise the county board on the thoughts and feelings of the students.

17 (c) **(1)** Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the  
18 county board, the student member may not attend an executive session of the county board  
19 **THAT RELATES TO A MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY NOT VOTE.**

20 **(2) (i) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (ii) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
21 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD EXCEPT**  
22 **A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

23 1. **THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
24 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

25 2. **HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**

26 3. **APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF**  
27 **THIS ARTICLE.**

1                   **(II) ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED**  
2 **MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE**  
3 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

4           (d)   (1)   (i)   **1.**   A candidate elected to the county board shall be a resident  
5 and registered voter of St. Mary's County.

6                                   **2.**   A member who is no longer a resident and a registered  
7 voter of St. Mary's County may not continue as a member of the county board.

8                   (ii)   A candidate who files to represent one of the commissioner  
9 election districts must be a resident of that election district.

10                   (iii)   Candidates filing for office to represent the county at large may  
11 reside anywhere in the county.

12                   (2)   An individual subject to the authority of the county board at the time  
13 of filing is ineligible to be a candidate.

14           (e)   (1)   The St. Mary's County Board consists of five [voting] members who  
15 shall be elected as follows:

16                   (i)   One member shall be elected from the county at large; and

17                   (ii)   One member shall be elected from each of the four commissioner  
18 districts.

19                   (2)   [Voting] **ELECTED** members of the county board shall be elected:

20                   (i)   At a general election as required by this section; and

21                   (ii)   On a general countywide ticket.

22                   (3)   Members of the county board elected in the 1996 general election from  
23 Commissioner Districts One and Three shall serve for an initial term of 2 years. An election  
24 shall be conducted in 1998 and every 4 years thereafter.

25                   (4)   Members of the county board elected in the 1996 general election from  
26 Commissioner Election Districts Two and Four and from the county at large shall serve for  
27 an initial term of 4 years. An election shall be conducted in 2000 and every 4 years  
28 thereafter.

29                   (5)   Except as specified in this section, elections shall be conducted in  
30 accordance with Title 8, Subtitle 8 of the Election Law Article.

1 (f) (1) The student member of the county board shall be elected by qualified  
2 students of the St. Mary's County Public School System. The student member shall not be  
3 subject to approval by the county board.

4 (2) The [voting] **ELECTED** members of the county board shall:

5 (i) Determine which students in the St. Mary's County Public  
6 School System may elect the student member of the county board; and

7 (ii) Develop nomination and election procedures governing the  
8 election of the student member.

9 3-12A-01.

10 (a) The Talbot County Board consists of:

11 (1) Seven [voting] **ELECTED** members, one member elected from each of  
12 the seven election districts for the county board established in accordance with this subtitle;  
13 and

14 (2) Two [nonvoting] student members from the public high schools in the  
15 county.

16 (e) (1) Each [voting] **ELECTED** member serves for a term of 4 years beginning  
17 on December 1 after the member's election and until a successor is elected and qualifies.

18 (2) [A voting] **AN ELECTED** member may not serve for more than three  
19 consecutive terms.

20 (f) The terms of the [voting] **ELECTED** members are staggered as follows:

21 (1) One member elected from each of districts 1, 3, 4, and 7 at the 2006  
22 general election, and every 4 years thereafter; and

23 (2) One member elected from each of districts 2, 5, and 6 at the 2008  
24 general election, and every 4 years thereafter.

25 3-12A-04.

26 (a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, the [voting] **ELECTED** members shall  
27 receive compensation as set by the County Council.

28 (b) (1) The salary of each [voting] **ELECTED** member of the county board shall  
29 be at least \$3,200.

30 (2) The salary of the president of the county board shall be at least \$3,600.

1 3-12A-06.

2 (a) (1) There shall be two [nonvoting] student members on the Talbot County  
3 Board of Education.

4 (2) The student members shall advise the other members of the county  
5 board on the viewpoint of students who attend Talbot County public schools.

6 (b) (1) Each of the [nonvoting] student members of the county board shall be:

7 (i) A regularly enrolled 11th or 12th grade student in good standing  
8 at a Talbot County public school;

9 (ii) Qualified according to eligibility requirements established by the  
10 county board; and

11 (iii) Of good character.

12 (2) Each student member shall be appointed for a 1-year term during the  
13 school year prior to the school year that the member is to serve on the county board.

14 (3) One student member shall be a student from St. Michaels High School  
15 and one student member shall be a student from Easton High School.

16 (4) The county board shall adopt procedures for the appointment of the  
17 student members.

18 (5) If a vacancy in the position of student member occurs during the term  
19 of a student member, the county board shall appoint another student member to fill the  
20 vacancy in accordance with its procedures.

21 (6) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the  
22 county board, the student members may not attend an executive session of the county board  
23 **RELATING TO A MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBERS MAY NOT VOTE.**

24 **(7) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
25 **STUDENT MEMBERS MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD**  
26 **EXCEPT A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

27 **1. THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
28 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**

29 **2. HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**



1                                   **3. APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4-205 OF**  
2 **THIS ARTICLE.**

3                                   **(II) ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED**  
4 **MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE**  
5 **STUDENT MEMBERS MAY VOTE.**

6 3-1401.

7           (a) The Worcester County Board consists of seven [voting] **ELECTED** members  
8 and one [nonvoting] student member from each public high school in the county.

9           (b) (1) The seven [voting] **ELECTED** members of the Worcester County Board  
10 shall be elected at a general election.

11                               (2) Members of the Worcester County Board shall be elected in accordance  
12 with Title 8, Subtitle 8 of the Election Law Article.

13           (d) Of the seven [voting] **ELECTED** members of the county board, one shall be  
14 elected from each of the seven county commissioner districts.

15           (h) (1) Each student member shall:

16                               (i) Be a 12th grade student in the Worcester County public school  
17 system elected by the high school students of the public school which the student attends,  
18 in accordance with procedures established by the school system;

19                               (ii) Serve for 1 year beginning on July 1 after the election of the  
20 member;

21                               (iii) [Be] **SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, BE**  
22 a [nonvoting] **VOTING** member; and

23                               (iv) Advise the board on the interests of students.

24                               (2) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the  
25 county board, the student members may not attend an executive session **RELATING TO A**  
26 **MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBERS MAY NOT VOTE.**

27                               **(3) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE**  
28 **STUDENT MEMBERS MAY VOTE ON ANY MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD**  
29 **EXCEPT A MATTER THAT RELATES TO:**

30   **1. THE DISMISSAL OF OR OTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION**  
31 **INVOLVING PERSONNEL;**



- 1                                   **2.     HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6–202 OF THIS ARTICLE; OR**
- 2                                   **3.     APPEALS TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNDER § 4–205 OF**
- 3 **THIS ARTICLE.**

4                                   **(II)   ON AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE ELECTED**

5 **MEMBERS, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY EXPAND THE MATTERS ON WHICH THE**

6 **STUDENT MEMBER MAY VOTE.**

7                                   (4)   On an affirmative vote of a majority of the elected members of the

8 county board, the board may determine if a matter before the board relates to a subject that

9 the student member may not vote on under paragraph (3) of this subsection.

10                                  (5)   The student member may attend an executive session of the board

11 unless the executive session relates to[:

12                                  (i)   Hearings on appeals of special education placements, hearings

13 held under § 6–202(a) of this article, or collective bargaining; or

14                                  (ii)   A personnel matter for which the student may not vote under

15 paragraph (3) of this subsection] **A MATTER ON WHICH THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY NOT**

16 **VOTE.**

17                                  SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take

18 effect July 1, 2024, the effective date of Chapter 217 of the Acts of the General Assembly of

19 2022. If the effective date of Chapter 217 is amended, Section 2 of this Act shall take effect

20 on the taking effect of Chapter 217.

21                                  SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section

22 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2024.