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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Elementary and Secondary Education - School Technology Task Force**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Superintendent of Schools to establish a
4 School Technology Task Force to study certain issues concerning the cost
5 effective purchase and use of technology in the public schools of the State;
6 establishing the composition of the Task Force; establishing certain deadlines;
7 and generally relating to the School Technology Task Force.

8 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
9 MARYLAND, That:

10 (a) The State Superintendent shall establish a School Technology Task Force
11 to study the following issues:

12 (1) Use of digital technology in schools;

13 (2) Leasing of computer equipment;

14 (3) Bulk purchase of computer and other school equipment; and

15 (4) Other policies that further the cost effective purchase and use of
16 technology in the public schools of the State.

17 (b) The Task Force shall be composed of:

18 (1) Three members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker
19 of the House;

20 (2) Three members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the
21 President of the Senate;

22 (3) Two members of the State Board of Education, appointed by the State
23 Superintendent;

24 (4) One representative from the Maryland State Teachers Association,
25 appointed by the State Superintendent; and

1 (5) Three technology or business experts, appointed by the State
2 Superintendent.

3 (c) The Task Force shall:

4 (1) Be appointed and hold its first meeting on or before July 1, 2000.

5 (2) Be staffed by the Maryland Department of Education;

6 (3) Submit a written report to the State Superintendent including its
7 findings and recommendations on or before December 31, 2000; and

8 (4) Terminate after submission of the report.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
10 June 1, 2000.