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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Schools - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk**
3 **Behavior Surveillance System**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State ~~Board~~ Department of Education to establish
5 procedures for the administration of the Centers for Disease Control and
6 Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System survey; authorizing the
7 State ~~Board~~ Department to omit certain ~~sections of the~~ survey questions under
8 certain circumstances; requiring the Department to require a local school
9 system to obtain certain parental consent; establishing certain requirements for
10 a certain parental consent form; and generally relating to the administration of
11 the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior
12 Surveillance System survey.

13 BY adding to
14 Article - Education
15 Section 7-420
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

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Article - Education

2 7-420.

3 (A) ~~THE STATE BOARD DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR~~
4 ~~THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION~~
5 ~~YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM SURVEY.~~

6 (B) ~~THE STATE BOARD DEPARTMENT MAY OMIT A SECTION OF THE SURVEY IF~~
7 ~~THE STATE BOARD CONSIDERS THE CONTENT WITHIN THAT SECTION AS~~
8 ~~INAPPROPRIATE UP TO A MAXIMUM OF ONE-THIRD OF THE SURVEY QUESTIONS IF~~
9 ~~THE DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS THE CONTENT OF THE QUESTIONS INAPPROPRIATE.~~

10 (C) (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REQUIRE A LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM TO
11 OBTAIN PARENTAL CONSENT USING A PARENTAL CONSENT FORM BEFORE
12 ADMINISTERING THE SURVEY.

13 (2) THE PARENTAL CONSENT FORM SHALL INCLUDE A STATEMENT
14 THAT EXPLAINS HOW A PARENT CAN OBTAIN SAMPLE QUESTIONS AND MORE
15 INFORMATION REGARDING THE SURVEY, INCLUDING THE MAILING ADDRESS,
16 TELEPHONE NUMBER, AND WEBSITE ADDRESS OF THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE
17 CONTROL AND PREVENTION.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
19 effect July 1, 2004.