

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 907
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “– Submission” and substitute “and Evaluations”; in line 3, after “submit” insert “certain annual updates to their”; strike beginning with “a” in line 4 down through “thereafter” in line 5 and substitute “certain dates; requiring county boards of education to submit comprehensive master plans to the State Department of Education on or before a certain date”; in line 6, strike “extend for” and substitute “and annual updates cover”; in the same line, after “time;” insert “requiring the Department to submit an interim report on the results of a certain evaluation to the Governor and General Assembly on or before a certain date; requiring the General Assembly to deliberate during a certain legislative session and determine whether certain provisions of law, as amended by this Act, should be modified to differentiate among local education agencies in the master plan requirement, whether a preexisting comprehensive master plan meets certain requirements, and whether a certain provision of law should be repealed; providing for the delayed effective date of certain provisions of this Act; defining a certain term;”; in line 10, after “5-401” insert “and 5-402”; in line 7, after “plans” insert “and updates”; and after line 12, insert:

“BY repealing

Article – Education

Section 5-401(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2006 Replacement Volume)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 3, insert:

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“(5) “UPDATE” MEANS AN ANNUAL UPDATE TO A COUNTY BOARD’S COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN.”;

in lines 8 and 10, in each instance, strike the brackets; strike beginning with “ON” in line 8 down through “EACH” in line 9; after line 10, insert:

“(II) EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL SUBMIT AN UPDATE TO THE PLAN REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)(I) OF THIS SUBSECTION FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS ON OR BEFORE:

- 1. OCTOBER 15, 2008; AND**
- 2. OCTOBER 15, 2009.**

(3) (I) ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 15, 2010, EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL SUBMIT A PLAN TO THE DEPARTMENT.

(II) BEGINNING IN 2011, EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL UPDATE FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS ON OR BEFORE OCTOBER 15 OF EACH YEAR.

(4) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (I) OF THIS SECTION, THE PLAN AND UPDATES REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL COVER A 5-YEAR PERIOD.”;

in line 11, after “plan” insert “**OR UPDATE**”; in line 12, after “plan” insert “**OR UPDATE**”; strike in their entirety lines 15 through 20, inclusive; in line 21, strike “(4)” and substitute “**(5)**”; and in line 28, after “plan” insert “**OR UPDATE**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, in lines 14 and 16, in each instance, after “plan” insert “**OR UPDATE**”.

On page 4, in lines 5, 8, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 20, and 21, in each instance, after “plan” insert “**OR UPDATE**”; and in line 32, strike “(b)(4)” and substitute “**(B)(5)**”.

On page 5, in lines 8, 11, 14, and 23, in each instance, after “plan” insert “**OR UPDATE**”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 6, after line 7, insert:

“5-402.

(a) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the Department shall evaluate the effect of increased State aid for education on student and school performance in each local school system.

(2) The Department may contract with a public or private entity to conduct or assist in conducting the evaluation required by this subsection.

(b) (1) The Department shall submit an initial report on the results of the evaluation required by this section to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2006.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT AN INTERIM REPORT ON THE RESULTS OF THE EVALUATION REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2007.

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[(2)] (3) The Department shall submit a final report on the results of the evaluation required by this section to the Governor and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2008.

(c) The reports required by this section shall include:

(1) A detailed description of how local school systems are using State education aid;

(2) A comparison of school systems that show significant improvements in student and school performance to school systems that do not show significant improvements in student and school performance;

(3) An assessment of the extent to which county boards are successful in implementing the comprehensive master plans required by § 5-401 of this subtitle;

(4) An analysis of the amount of funding that local governments provide for education each year;

(5) A list of programs or factors that consistently produce positive results for students, schools, and school systems; and

(6) Any other information that the State Superintendent determines to be relevant to the evaluation of student and school performance in each local school system.

(d) The Governor shall include an appropriation for the Department in the State budget for each fiscal year sufficient to cover the costs associated with implementing this section.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 6, strike lines 8 and 9 in their entirety and substitute:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Education

5-401.

[(g) (1) A county board may submit a preexisting management plan to the Department as the county board’s plan under subsection (b) of this section.

(2) If the State Superintendent determines that the preexisting management plan meets the requirements set forth in this section, the State Superintendent shall approve the preexisting management plan as the county board’s plan.]

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, during the 2009 regular legislative session, the General Assembly shall review the report submitted by the State Department of Education under § 5-402 of the Education Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, and determine whether:

(1) certain provisions of § 5-401(b) of the Education Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act, should be modified to allow for the differentiation among local education agencies in the master plan requirement;

(2) a preexisting comprehensive master plan meets the requirements set forth in § 5-401 of the Education Article; and

(3) § 5-401(g) of the Education Article should be repealed.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

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SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section 4 of this Act, this Act shall take effect June 1, 2007.”.