

SENATE BILL 397

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ENROLLED BILL

— *Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs/Ways and Means* —

Introduced by **Senator Klausmeier**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force on the ~~Method of Selecting~~ Membership and Operation of the**
3 **Baltimore County Board of Education**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force on the ~~Method of Selecting~~
5 Membership and Operation of the Baltimore County Board of Education;
6 providing for the chairs and staff for the Task Force; prohibiting a member of
7 the Task Force from receiving certain compensation but entitling members to
8 reimbursement for certain expenses; requiring the Task Force to make certain
9 recommendations, including recommendations regarding the method of
10 selecting the Baltimore County Board of Education; requiring the Task Force to
11 hold a certain number of public meetings *in certain locations* that allow certain
12 persons to testify about certain issues; requiring the Task Force to make a
13 certain report to certain persons on or before a certain date; providing for the
14 termination of this Act; and generally relating to the Task Force on the ~~Method~~

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 ~~of Selecting~~ Membership and Operation of the Baltimore County Board of
2 Education.

3 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
4 MARYLAND, That:

5 (a) There is a Task Force on the ~~Method of Selecting~~ Membership and
6 Operation of the Baltimore County Board of Education.

7 (b) The Task Force consists of the following ~~12~~ 13 members:

8 (1) the Chair of the Baltimore County Senate Delegation, or the
9 Chair's designee;

10 (2) three members of the Senate of Maryland who represent Baltimore
11 County, appointed by the Chair of the Baltimore County Senate Delegation;

12 (3) the Chair of the Baltimore County House Delegation, or the
13 Chair's designee;

14 (4) three members of the House of Delegates who represent Baltimore
15 County, appointed by the Chair of the Baltimore County House Delegation;

16 (5) three members, appointed by the Baltimore County Executive; ~~and~~

17 (6) one member, appointed by the Chair of the Baltimore County
18 Council; and

19 (7) one representative of the Maryland Association of Boards of
20 Education, appointed by the Association.

21 (c) The Chair of the Baltimore County Senate Delegation and the Chair of
22 the Baltimore County House Delegation shall jointly designate the cochairs of the
23 Task Force from among the Senator and Delegate members of the Task Force.

24 (d) The Office of the Baltimore County Executive shall provide staff for the
25 Task Force.

26 (e) A member of the Task Force:

27 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

28 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard
29 State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

30 (f) The Task Force shall make recommendations on the following issues:

1 (1) the ideal size of the Baltimore County Board of Education;

2 (2) the most appropriate method of selecting members of the
3 Baltimore County Board of Education, including consideration of the following
4 methods:

5 (i) all elected;

6 (ii) gubernatorial appointments;

7 (iii) Baltimore County executive appointments;

8 (iv) partially elected and appointed;

9 (v) county nominating commission; and

10 (vi) appointments with additional approval; ~~and~~

11 (3) the appropriate phase-in period for changes to the existing
12 selection process; and

13 (4) improving the transparency and professionalism of the Baltimore
14 County Board of Education.

15 (g) (1) The Task Force shall hold at least ~~one public meeting that allows~~
16 three public meetings in geographically diverse areas of Baltimore County that allow
17 members of the general public and stakeholder organizations to testify on issues being
18 studied by the Task Force.

19 (2) The Task Force shall extend an invitation to representatives from
20 the following stakeholder organizations to testify at a public meeting:

21 (i) the Teachers Association of Baltimore County;

22 (ii) the Council of Administrative and Supervisory Employees of
23 Baltimore County;

24 (iii) the Education Support Professionals of Baltimore County;

25 (iv) the Baltimore County Chamber of Commerce;

26 (v) the ~~Parent-Teacher Association~~ PTA Council of Baltimore
27 County;

28 (vi) the Baltimore County Student Councils;

29 (vii) the Baltimore County chapter of the NAACP;

- 1 (viii) the Baltimore County League of Women Voters;
- 2 (ix) the Baltimore County Board of Education; and
- 3 (x) the Baltimore County Superintendent of Schools.

4 (h) On or before October 1, 2011, the Task Force shall report its findings and
 5 recommendations to the Governor, and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State
 6 Government Article, the Baltimore County Senate and House Delegations, the State
 7 Superintendent of Schools, the Baltimore County Executive, the Baltimore County
 8 Council, the Baltimore County Superintendent of Schools, and the Baltimore County
 9 Board of Education.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 11 July 1, 2011. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of
 12 December 31, 2011, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act
 13 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.