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House Bill 670

(Montgomery County Delegation)

Ways and Means

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

**Montgomery County - Board of Education Districts - Town of Kensington in One
District
MC 1-13**

This emergency bill alters two Montgomery County Board of Education districts such that residents of the Town of Kensington are within one (District 3), instead of two (District 3 and District 4), board of education districts. Specifically, election district 13, precinct 34 is placed entirely within board of education District 3 by removing that part of precinct 34 that currently falls within board of education District 4.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: The Montgomery County Board of Elections will incur approximately \$500 in one-time expenditures to produce and mail notification to approximately 900 individuals regarding their new polling place. The board can make adjustments to board of education districts with existing resources.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The Montgomery County Board of Education consists of seven elected members (two are elected from the county at large; five from separate board of education districts) as well as one student member. Redistricting of board of education districts occurs every 10 years, following the decennial Census.

Chapter 2 of the 2011 special session (SB 2) provided for redistricting of board of education districts in Montgomery County. Chapter 2, among other provisions, divided election district 13, precinct 34 between board of education District 3 and District 4.

Background: The Montgomery County Board of Education is 1 of 18 elected school boards in the State. There are four appointed school boards in the State and two counties have hybrid boards including both elected and appointed members. The **Appendix – Local Boards of Education** shows the selection methods, terms of office, and membership of the 24 local school boards.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

Information Source(s): Town of Kensington, Montgomery County, Maryland State Board of Elections, Department of Legislative Services

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Appendix – Local Boards of Education

<u>School System</u>	<u>Number of Members</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Means of Selection¹</u>	
Allegany	7	4 years	E	5 from county at large 1 commissioner <i>ex officio</i> (nonvoting) 1 student (nonvoting, one-year term)
Anne Arundel	9	5 years	A	3 from county at large 5 from legislative districts 1 student (one-year term)
Baltimore City	10	3 years	A	9 from city at large 1 student (one-year term)
Baltimore	12	5 years	A	4 from county at large 7 from council districts 1 student (one-year term)
Calvert	6	4 years	E	2 from county at large 3 from commissioner districts 1 student (nonvoting, one-year term)
Caroline	7	4 years	A/E	3 elected from school board districts 2 appointed from county at large 2 students (nonvoting, one-year term)
Carroll	9	4 years	E	5 from county at large 3 commissioners <i>ex officio</i> (nonvoting) 1 student (nonvoting, one-year term)
Cecil	6	4 years	E	5 from commissioner districts 1 student (nonvoting, one-year term)
Charles	8	4 years	E	7 from county at large 1 student (nonvoting, one-year term)
Dorchester	7	4 years	E	5 from council districts 2 students (nonvoting, one-year term)
Frederick	8	4 years	E	7 from county at large 1 student (nonvoting, one year term)
Garrett	7	4 years	E	2 from county at large 3 from commissioner districts 1 commissioner <i>ex officio</i> (nonvoting) 1 student (nonvoting, one-year term)

<u>School System</u>	<u>Number of Members</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Means of Selection</u> ¹
Harford	11	4 years	A/E 6 elected from council districts 3 appointed 1 superintendent <i>ex officio</i> (nonvoting) 1 student (one-year term)
Howard	8	4 years	E 7 from county at large 1 student (one-year term)
Kent	6	4 years	E 5 from county at large 1 student (nonvoting, one-year term)
Montgomery	8	4 years	E 2 from county at large 5 from school board districts 1 student (one-year term)
Prince George's	10	4 years	E 9 from school board districts 1 student (one-year term)
Queen Anne's	7	4 years	E 1 from county at large 4 from commissioner districts 2 students (nonvoting, one-year term)
St. Mary's	6	4 years	E 1 from county at large 4 from commissioner districts 1 student (nonvoting, one-year term)
Somerset	5	4 years	E All from commissioner districts
Talbot	8	4 years	E 7 from school board districts 1 student (nonvoting, one-year term)
Washington	8	4 years	E 7 from county at large 1 student (nonvoting, one-year term)
Wicomico	7	5 years	A All from county at large
Worcester	10	4 years	E 7 from commissioner districts 3 students (nonvoting, one-year term)

¹A = Appointed by Governor, except in Baltimore City where board is appointed jointly by the Governor and the Mayor.
E = Elected. A/E = Combined appointed and elected board.

Source: Annotated Code of Maryland, Education Article, Sections 3-101 through 3-1405; local board of education websites