

HOUSE BILL 944

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Home Instruction Programs – Private Tutors**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that a child participating in a certain home instruction
4 program is in compliance with certain provisions of law if the parent or
5 guardian in charge of the child and in control of the home instruction program
6 provides or arranges for a private tutor to provide certain instruction; requiring
7 a private tutor to meet certain requirements; and generally relating to private
8 tutors and home instruction programs.

9 BY adding to
10 Article – Education
11 Section 7–301.1
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Education**

17 **7–301.1.**

18 **(A) THE REQUIREMENT FOR A CHILD PARTICIPATING IN A HOME**
19 **INSTRUCTION PROGRAM TO RECEIVE REGULAR, THOROUGH INSTRUCTION**
20 **DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR IN THE STUDIES USUALLY TAUGHT IN THE PUBLIC**
21 **SCHOOL TO CHILDREN OF THE SAME AGE IS MET IF THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN**
22 **IN CHARGE OF THE CHILD AND IN CONTROL OF THE HOME INSTRUCTION**
23 **PROGRAM PROVIDES OR ARRANGES FOR A PRIVATE TUTOR WHO MEETS THE**
24 **REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION TO PROVIDE**
25 **INSTRUCTION TO THE CHILD.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(B) (1) A PRIVATE TUTOR SHALL BE AN INDIVIDUAL WHO:**

2 **(I) HOLDS A VALID MARYLAND CERTIFICATE TO TEACH**
3 **THE SUBJECTS OR GRADES IN WHICH INSTRUCTION IS GIVEN;**

4 **(II) IS A TEACHER EMPLOYED BY AN INDEPENDENT OR**
5 **PAROCHIAL SCHOOL;**

6 **(III) HAS A GRADUATE DEGREE IN EDUCATION; OR**

7 **(IV) HAS EXPERIENCE OR SPECIALIZED KNOWLEDGE IN THE**
8 **INDIVIDUAL'S FIELD.**

9 **(2) A PRIVATE TUTOR SHALL:**

10 **(I) KEEP RECORDS OF THE CHILD'S WORK; AND**

11 **(II) REQUIRE THE CHILD TO BE IN ACTUAL ATTENDANCE**
12 **FOR REGULAR INSTRUCTION.**

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 July 1, 2014.