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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

Senate Bill 1034 (Senator Hershey)
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Queen Anne's County Board of Education - Filling a Vacancy in Membership

This bill alters the procedure for filling a vacancy on the Queen Anne's County Board of Education. If the vacancy occurs *before* the filing deadline for candidates for the primary election that is held in the second year of the term, the qualified individual appointed by the Governor to fill the vacancy serves until a successor is elected at the next general election and qualifies. If the vacancy occurs *after* the above specified filing deadline, the qualified individual appointed by the Governor to fill the vacancy serves for the remainder of the term of the vacating member and until a successor is elected at the next general election and qualifies.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: State election expenditures are not significantly affected.

Local Effect: Queen Anne's County election expenditures are not significantly affected.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The Queen Anne's County Board of Education consists of five voting members, with one member elected from each of the four county commissioner districts and one member elected from the county at-large, and one nonvoting student member from each of the public high schools in the county. Elected members serve staggered four-year terms. The Governor must appoint a new member to fill any vacancy on the county board for the remainder of that term and until a successor is elected and qualifies.

Local Fiscal Effect: For some vacancies on the Queen Anne's County Board of Education, the seat on the county board filled by an appointee will in turn be filled sooner by an elected individual. Queen Anne's County election expenditures are not significantly affected.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

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