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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 86

(Montgomery County Delegation)

Ways and Means

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Montgomery County Board of Education - Student Member - Voting
MC 7-15

This bill repeals certain voting rights exceptions for the student member of the Montgomery County Board of Education so that the student member is required to vote on matters relating to capital and operating budgets; school closings, reopenings, and boundaries; and collective bargaining. The bill also authorizes the student member to attend executive sessions that relate to collective bargaining.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2015.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. Expanding the voting rights of the student member of the Montgomery County Board of Education does not affect local finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Unless invited by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Montgomery County Board of Education, the student member may not attend an executive session that relates to collective bargaining or certain personnel hearings. The student member must vote on all matters before the board except those relating to:

- grounds and procedures for suspension or dismissal of teachers, principals, and other professional personnel;
- collective bargaining;

- capital and operating budgets; and
- school closings, reopening, and boundaries.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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