

SENATE BILL 770

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By: **Senators Bates and Norman**

Introduced and read first time: February 5, 2016

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Public High Schools – Agriculture Science**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring each county board of education, beginning in a certain school
4 year, to implement a certain agriculture science curriculum in a certain number of
5 public high schools in each county or a certain number of career and technology
6 education centers in each county; requiring that the agriculture science curriculum
7 be selected from existing curricula developed by the State Department of Education
8 or be developed by a county board and approved by the Department; and generally
9 relating to the implementation of an agriculture science curriculum in each county.

10 BY adding to

11 Article – Education

12 Section 4–111.3

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Education**

18 **4–111.3.**

19 **(A) BEGINNING IN THE 2018–2019 SCHOOL YEAR, EACH COUNTY BOARD**
20 **SHALL IMPLEMENT AN AGRICULTURE SCIENCE CURRICULUM SPECIFIED IN**
21 **SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION IN:**

22 **(1) AT LEAST ONE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY; OR**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(2) AT LEAST ONE CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION CENTER IN**
2 **THE COUNTY.**

3 **(B) THE AGRICULTURE SCIENCE CURRICULUM IMPLEMENTED UNDER**
4 **SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE:**

5 **(1) SELECTED FROM EXISTING CURRICULA THAT HAS BEEN**
6 **DEVELOPED BY THE DEPARTMENT; OR**

7 **(2) DEVELOPED BY A COUNTY BOARD AND APPROVED BY THE**
8 **DEPARTMENT.**

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
10 October 1, 2016.