Chapter 149

(Senate Bill 16)

AN ACT concerning

Talbot County - Board of Education - Student Members

FOR the purpose of increasing the number of student members of the Talbot County Board of Education; requiring that each student member be a student from a certain public high school in Talbot County; making certain conforming changes; and generally relating to student members of the Talbot County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 3-12A-01(a) and (h) and 3-12A-06

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

Article – Education

3-12A-01.

- (a) The Talbot County Board consists of:
- (1) Seven voting members, one member elected from each of the seven election districts for the county board established in accordance with this subtitle; and
- (2) [One] TWO nonvoting student [member] MEMBERS from [a] THE public high [school] SCHOOLS in the county.
- (h) The student [member] **MEMBERS** shall be appointed and serve on the county board in accordance with § 3–12A–06 of this subtitle.

3-12A-06.

- (a) (1) There shall be [one] TWO nonvoting student [member] MEMBERS on the Talbot County Board of Education.
- (2) The student [member] **MEMBERS** shall advise the other members of the county board on the viewpoint of students who attend Talbot County public schools.

- (b) (1) [The] EACH OF THE nonvoting student [member] MEMBERS of the county board shall be:
- (i) A regularly enrolled 11th or 12th grade student in good standing at a Talbot County public school;
- (ii) Qualified according to eligibility requirements established by the county board; and
 - (iii) Of good character.
- (2) [The] **EACH** student member shall be appointed for a 1-year term during the school year prior to the school year that the member is to serve on the county board.
- (3) [The position of] **ONE** student member shall [alternate annually between] **BE** a student from St. Michaels High School and **ONE STUDENT MEMBER SHALL BE A STUDENT FROM** Easton High School.
- (4) The county board shall adopt procedures for the appointment of the student [member] MEMBERS.
- (5) If a vacancy in the position of student member occurs during the term of [the] A student member, the county board shall appoint another student member to fill the vacancy in accordance with its procedures.
- (6) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the county board, the student [member] MEMBERS may not attend an executive session of the county board.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July $1,\,2016.$

Approved by the Governor, April 26, 2016.