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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE Enrolled - Revised

House Bill 1147

(Carroll County Delegation)

Ways and Means

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Carroll County - Board of Education Members - Term Limitation and Referendum

This bill limits voting members of the Carroll County Board of Education to two consecutive terms, subject to a Carroll County referendum at the 2016 general election.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2016.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: State costs of printing ballots may increase to the extent inclusion of the referendum on the ballot at the 2016 general election would result in a need for a larger ballot card size or an additional ballot card for Carroll County voters.

Local Effect: Printing and mailing costs for the Carroll County Board of Elections may increase to include information on the referendum with specimen ballots mailed to voters prior to the 2016 general election and to include the referendum on ballots.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The Carroll County Board of Education consists of five elected and voting members, one nonvoting student representative, and the county commissioners, who are nonvoting *ex officio* members. Each voting member serves for a term of four years, beginning on the first Monday in December after the member's election and until a successor is elected and qualifies. Members' terms are staggered. The board president receives an annual salary of \$7,500, while other board members receive an annual salary of \$6,500.

Background: In Baltimore City and Cecil and Harford counties, school board members are limited to two consecutive terms. A member of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education is eligible for nomination and appointment to a second term. In Baltimore, Calvert, Dorchester, and Talbot counties, school board members are limited to three consecutive terms.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

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