

HOUSE BILL 1571

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By: **Prince George's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 17, 2017

Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County School System Academic Revitalization and**
3 **Management Effectiveness Task Force**

4 **PG 416-17**

5 FOR the purpose of establishing the Prince George's County School System Academic
6 Revitalization and Management Effectiveness Task Force; providing for the chairs
7 and staff for the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving
8 certain compensation but entitling members to reimbursement for certain expenses;
9 requiring the Task Force to make certain recommendations, including
10 recommendations regarding the method of selecting the Prince George's County
11 Board of Education; requiring the Task Force to hold a certain number of public
12 meetings in certain locations that allow certain persons to testify about certain
13 issues; requiring the Task Force to submit a certain report to certain persons on or
14 before a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating
15 to the Prince George's County School System Academic Revitalization and
16 Management Effectiveness Task Force.

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
18 That:

19 (a) There is a Prince George's County School System Academic Revitalization and
20 Management Effectiveness Task Force.

21 (b) The Task Force consists of the following 12 members:

22 (1) the Chair of the Prince George's County Senate Delegation, or the
23 Chair's designee;

24 (2) one member of the Senate of Maryland who represents Prince George's
25 County, appointed by the Chair of the Prince George's County Senate Delegation;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (3) the Chair of the Prince George's County House Delegation, or the
2 Chair's designee;

3 (4) one member of the House of Delegates who represents Prince George's
4 County, appointed by the Chair of the Prince George's County House Delegation;

5 (5) the Chair of the Prince George's County Board of Education, or the
6 Chair's designee;

7 (6) two elected members of the Prince George's County Board of Education,
8 selected by a majority vote of the elected members of the Board;

9 (7) the Chief Executive Officer of the Prince George's County Public School
10 System, or the Chief Executive Officer's designee;

11 (8) the Prince George's County Executive, or the County Executive's
12 designee;

13 (9) two members of the Prince George's County Council, appointed by the
14 Chair of the Prince George's County Council; and

15 (10) one member who represents the Maryland Association of Boards of
16 Education, appointed by the Association.

17 (c) The Chair of the Prince George's County Senate Delegation and the Chair of
18 the Prince George's County House Delegation shall jointly designate the cochairs of the
19 Task Force from among the members of the Task Force from the Senate of Maryland and
20 the House of Delegates.

21 (d) The Department of Legislative Services shall provide staff for the Task Force.

22 (e) A member of the Task Force:

23 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

24 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State
25 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

26 (f) The Task Force shall study and make recommendations regarding the Prince
27 George's County Board of Education as to:

28 (1) the composition, qualifications, and compensation of members of the
29 Board;

30 (2) methods for selecting the members of the Board;

1 (3) an appropriate phase-in period for any recommended changes to the
2 existing Board composition;

3 (4) a Board composition that reflects the gender and racial diversity of
4 Prince George's County;

5 (5) criteria that improve Board results, accountability, transparency, and
6 oversight;

7 (6) criteria for establishing and measuring Board outcomes;

8 (7) a protocol for Board audits and addressing audit findings;

9 (8) best practices regarding Board operations;

10 (9) best practices for school safety measures; and

11 (10) any other relevant issues.

12 (g) (1) The Task Force shall hold at least three public meetings in
13 geographically diverse areas of Prince George's County that allow members of the general
14 public and stakeholder organizations to testify on issues being studied by the Task Force.

15 (2) The Task Force shall extend an invitation to representatives from the
16 following stakeholder organizations to testify at a public meeting:

17 (i) the Prince George's County Educators' Association;

18 (ii) the Prince George's County SEIU Local 400;

19 (iii) the Prince George's County Association of Supervisory and
20 Administrative School Personnel;

21 (iv) the Prince George's County AFSCME Local 2250;

22 (v) the PTA Council of Prince George's County;

23 (vi) the Prince George's County Student Councils;

24 (vii) the Prince George's County chapter of the NAACP;

25 (viii) the Prince George's County Board of Education; and

26 (ix) the Prince George's County Municipal Association.

27 (h) On or before October 1, 2018, the Task Force shall report its findings and
28 recommendations to the Governor, the State Superintendent of Schools, the Prince George's

1 County Executive, the Prince George's County Council, the Chief Executive Officer of the
2 Prince George's County Public School System, the Prince George's County Board of
3 Education, and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Prince
4 George's County Senate Delegation and the Prince George's County House Delegation.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
6 1, 2017. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 6 months and, at the end of
7 December 31, 2018, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall
8 be abrogated and of no further force and effect.