SENATE BILL 667

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By: Senator Jennings

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

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CHAPTER

- 1 AN ACT concerning
- 2 Education Prekindergarten Student Assessment Moratorium
- FOR the purpose of placing a moratorium on the <u>a certain</u> assessment of prekindergarten students until a certain audit of the pilot year of the assessment results in certain determinations; and generally relating to a moratorium on the assessment of prekindergarten students.
- 7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 8 Article Education
- 9 Section 7–210
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)
- 12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND.
- 13 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 14 Article Education
- 15 7–210.
- 16 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a statewide kindergarten assessment that is administered with the purpose of measuring school readiness:

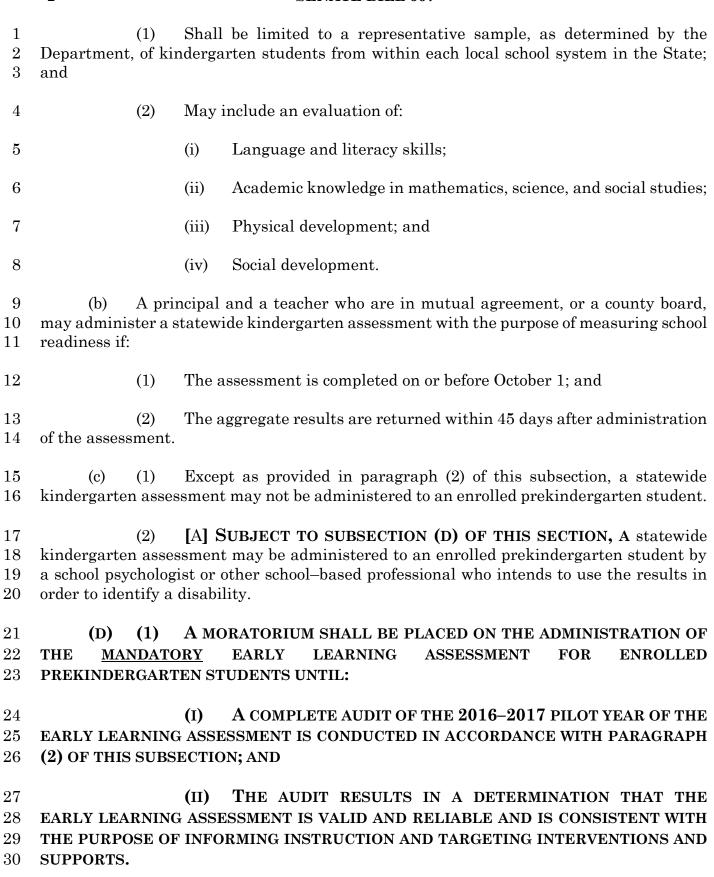
EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.





31 **(2)** AN AUDIT OF THE **2016–2017** PILOT YEAR OF THE <u>MANDATORY</u> 32 EARLY LEARNING ASSESSMENT SHALL BE CONDUCTED TO DETERMINE:

1 2 3 4	(I) WHETHER THE ASSESSMENT PROVIDES ACTIONABLE FEEDBACK TO STUDENTS, PARENTS, AND EDUCATORS IN A FORMAT THAT HELPS EDUCATORS IMPROVE THEIR PRACTICE, ENCOURAGES POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE PARTIES, AND HELPS INFORM INSTRUCTION FOR EDUCATORS;
5 6	(II) WHETHER EDUCATORS AND ADMINISTRATORS USE ASSESSMENT DATA TO IMPROVE AND DIFFERENTIATE INSTRUCTION;
7 8 9	(III) WHETHER THERE IS ANY REDUNDANCY OR DUPLICATION WITH ASSESSMENTS ALREADY REQUIRED AT THE FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LEVELS;
10	(IV) THE AMOUNT OF TIME TEACHERS SPEND ADMINISTERING COLLECTING, AND ENTERING DATA;
12	(V) THE WORKLOAD IMPACT ON EDUCATORS;
13 14	(VI) THE TECHNOLOGY NEEDS OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT OR CLASSROOM IN ORDER TO COLLECT AND ENTER DATA; AND
5	(VII) ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE INFORMATION.
16 17	[(d)] (E) The Department shall adopt regulations to implement the requirements of this section.
18 19	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2017.
	Approved:
	Governor.
	President of the Senate.
	Speaker of the House of Delegates.