SENATE BILL 1227

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By: **Senator Ready** Introduced and read first time: March 1, 2018 Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

State Education Aid – Mandated Educational Requirements – County Board Opt–Out

FOR the purpose of providing that if less than a certain percent of a county board's 3-year moving average annual budget is funded by the State, the county board may, in the following school year, opt out of certain mandated educational requirements; requiring certain county boards to follow federally mandated education requirements; providing that a county board may not opt out of a certain education requirement; defining a certain term; and generally relating to State education aid.

- 10 BY adding to
- 11 Article Education
- 12 Section 5–203
- 13 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 14 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)
- 15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
 16 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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Article – Education

18 **5–203.**

19 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "3–YEAR MOVING AVERAGE ANNUAL BUDGET" MEANS 20 THE AVERAGE OF THE COUNTY BOARD'S ANNUAL BUDGET AMOUNT CALCULATED 21 FOR THE CATEGORIES LISTED UNDER § 5–101(B)(2) OF THIS TITLE AND APPROVED 22 BY THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 5–102 OF THIS TITLE, IN 23 THE 3 PREVIOUS SCHOOL YEARS.

24 (B) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION AND

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, IF THE PORTION OF A COUNTY
 BOARD'S 3-YEAR MOVING AVERAGE ANNUAL BUDGET THAT IS FUNDED BY THE
 STATE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE IS LESS THAN 45%, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY, IN THE
 FOLLOWING SCHOOL YEAR, OPT OUT OF ANY STATE EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENT
 THAT IS MANDATED UNDER:

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(1) THIS ARTICLE; OR

7 (2) REGULATIONS ADOPTED UNDER AUTHORITY PROVIDED FOR IN 8 THIS ARTICLE.

9 (C) A COUNTY BOARD THAT CHOOSES TO OPT OUT UNDER SUBSECTION (B) 10 OF THIS SECTION SHALL FOLLOW ANY EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS UNDER 11 FEDERAL LAW.

12 (D) A COUNTY BOARD MAY NOT OPT OUT OF THE REQUIREMENT TO 13 DEVELOP AN ANNUAL BUDGET UNDER § 5–101 OF THIS TITLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July1, 2018.