

Chapter 421

**(Senate Bill 1162)**

AN ACT concerning

**Washington County – Superintendent of Schools – Appointment and Reappointment**

FOR the purpose of repealing the exemption of the Washington County Superintendent of Schools and the Washington County Board of Education from certain requirements that relate to the appointment and reappointment of the Superintendent; and generally relating to the Washington County Superintendent of Schools.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Education  
Section 4–201(a)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article – Education  
Section 4–201(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

**Article – Education**

4–201.

(a) (1) This section does not apply to Baltimore City.

(2) Subsections (b), (c), (d), and (f) of this section do not apply in Prince George’s County.

[(3) Subsections (b)(2) and (3) of this section do not apply in Washington County.]

(b) (1) The term of a county superintendent is 4 years beginning on July 1. A county superintendent continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(2) By February 1 of the year in which a term ends, the county superintendent shall notify the county board whether the superintendent is a candidate for

reappointment.

(3) In the year in which a term begins, the county board shall appoint a county superintendent between February 1 and June 30. However, if the county board decides to reappoint the incumbent superintendent, the county board shall take final action at a public meeting no later than March 1 of that year.

(4) If a county board is unable to appoint a county superintendent by July 1 of a year in which a term begins, the provisions of subsection (d) of this section apply.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

**Approved by the Governor, May 8, 2018.**