

Chapter 469

(House Bill 460)

AN ACT concerning

Harford County Board of Education – Elected Members – Start Date of Term

FOR the purpose of altering the date on which an elected member of the Harford County Board of Education begins a term of office; making technical corrections; making conforming changes; and generally relating to the term of office of elected members of the Harford County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–6A–01(a) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–6A–01(b), (d), (f)(1), and (g)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

Article – Education

3–6A–01.

(a) (1) In this subtitle, “elected member” means a voting member elected under subsection (d) or (e) of this section or a member appointed to an elected position on the Harford County Board of Education under subsection [(e)(2)] **(F)(1)** of this section.

(2) “Elected member” does not include a:

(i) County superintendent of schools serving as an ex officio member of the county board; or

(ii) Student member selected under subsection [(f)] **(G)** of this section.

(b) The county board consists of:

- (1) Six elected members;
- (2) Three appointed members;
- (3) The county superintendent of schools, who is an ex officio nonvoting member; and
- (4) One student member.

(d) (1) Of the nine voting members of the county board elected or appointed under this subsection:

(i) One member shall be elected from each of the six councilmanic districts only by the voters of that councilmanic district; and

(ii) Three members shall be appointed by the Governor.

(2) The elected members shall be elected at a general election as required by subsection (e) of this section.

(3) The appointed members shall be appointed, when appropriate, within 90 days of the general election.

(e) (1) [Except for the ex officio member and the student member, a] **AN ELECTED MEMBER SERVES FOR A TERM OF 4 YEARS BEGINNING ON THE FIRST MONDAY IN DECEMBER AFTER THE ELECTION OF THE MEMBER AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS ELECTED AND QUALIFIES.**

(2) AN APPOINTED member serves for a term of 4 years beginning July 1 after the [election or] appointment of the member and until a successor is [elected or] appointed and qualifies.

~~[(2)]~~ **(3)** (i) Unless otherwise disqualified under this section, a member of the county board is eligible for reelection or reappointment.

(ii) A voting elected member or an appointed member may not serve for more than two consecutive terms as a voting member.

~~[(3)]~~ **(4)** The Harford County Board of Elections may adopt regulations to implement this subsection.

(f) (1) The Harford County Council shall appoint a qualified individual to fill any vacancy of an elected member on the county board for the remainder of the term and until a successor is elected and qualifies.

(g) (1) The student member of the county board shall be elected by the high school students of the county in accordance with procedures established by the Harford County public school system.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

Approved by the Governor, May 13, 2019.