

**HB0083/615360/1**

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 83  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 3, strike “**Operation Requirements**” and substitute “**Review and Report**”; strike beginning with “prohibiting” in line 4 down through “terms;” in line 11 and substitute “requiring the State Department of Education to conduct a thorough review and evaluation of certain matters relating to the operation of electric retractable room partitions; requiring the Department to adopt certain regulations or guidelines on or before a certain date under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to report to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date on its review and actions;”; and strike in their entirety lines 12 through 16, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 17 on page 1 through line 25 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

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

(a) The State Department of Education shall conduct a thorough review and evaluation of:

(1) the current electric retractable room partition equipment used in public and nonpublic schools throughout the State;

(2) the current practices used by staff in public and nonpublic schools throughout the State when operating electric retractable room partitions; and

(3) existing policies by public schools, local school systems, and nonpublic schools that govern the operation of electric retractable room partitions.

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(b) On or before September 1, 2022, after conducting its thorough examination and review, the State Department of Education shall adopt any regulations or guidelines needed to ensure that the operation of electric retractable room partitions in public and nonpublic schools occur in the safest manner possible.

(c) On or before December 1, 2022, the State Department of Education shall report to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly on its review and any actions taken under this Act.”.