

HOUSE BILL 550

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: January 20, 2021

Assigned to: Ways and Means and Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Montgomery County – Education – School Site Council Pilot Program**

3 **MC 21–21**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing the School Site Council Pilot Program in Montgomery
5 County; providing for the purpose of the Program; requiring each public school in
6 Montgomery County to establish a school site council; providing for the membership
7 and purpose of the school site council; requiring each public school in Montgomery
8 County to create a School Plan for Student Achievement; providing for the purpose
9 and content of the Plan; requiring a school site council to conduct a certain needs
10 assessment and a certain process before developing the Plan; establishing a certain
11 process and time frame for submission, review, and approval of the Plan; authorizing
12 a Plan to serve as a certain school improvement plan under certain circumstances;
13 authorizing a school site council to be used to satisfy certain federal stakeholder
14 requirements; requiring the Montgomery County Board of Education to adopt
15 certain policies; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Montgomery
16 County School Site Council Pilot Program.

17 BY adding to

18 Article – Education

19 Section 4–501 through 4–505 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 5. Montgomery
20 County School Site Council Pilot Program”

21 Annotated Code of Maryland

22 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

23 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

24 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

25 **Article – Education**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **SUBTITLE 5. MONTGOMERY COUNTY SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL PILOT PROGRAM.**

2 **4-501.**

3 **(A) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS**
4 **INDICATED.**

5 **(B) “COUNTY” MEANS MONTGOMERY COUNTY.**

6 **(C) “COUNTY BOARD” MEANS THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF**
7 **EDUCATION.**

8 **(D) “PLAN” MEANS A SCHOOL PLAN FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT.**

9 **(E) “PROGRAM” MEANS THE SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL PILOT PROGRAM.**

10 **4-502.**

11 **(A) THERE IS A SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL PILOT PROGRAM IN MONTGOMERY**
12 **COUNTY.**

13 **(B) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO HOLD SCHOOLS ACCOUNTABLE**
14 **FOR THE INVESTMENT OF TAX DOLLARS IN SCHOOLS BY FEDERAL, STATE, AND**
15 **LOCAL ENTITIES.**

16 **4-503.**

17 **(A) EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY SHALL ESTABLISH A SCHOOL**
18 **SITE COUNCIL.**

19 **(B) (1) A SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING**
20 **MEMBERS KNOWN AS GROUP A:**

21 **(I) THE PRINCIPAL OF THE SCHOOL, OR THE PRINCIPAL’S**
22 **DESIGNEE;**

23 **(II) CLASSROOM TEACHERS EMPLOYED AT THE SCHOOL,**
24 **SELECTED BY THE TEACHERS AT THE SCHOOL; AND**

25 **(III) NONCERTIFICATED STAFF EMPLOYED AT THE SCHOOL,**
26 **SELECTED BY THE NONCERTIFICATED STAFF AT THE SCHOOL.**

27 **(2) A SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING**

1 MEMBERS KNOWN AS GROUP B:

2 (I) PARENTS OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THE SCHOOL,
3 SELECTED BY THE PARENTS OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THE SCHOOL;

4 (II) MEMBERS OF THE GREATER SCHOOL COMMUNITY,
5 SELECTED BY THE PARENTS OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THE SCHOOL; AND

6 (III) FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS, STUDENTS ATTENDING THE
7 SCHOOL, SELECTED BY THE STUDENTS WHO ATTEND THE SCHOOL.

8 (3) (I) CLASSROOM TEACHERS SHALL MAKE UP THE MAJORITY OF
9 THE MEMBERSHIP OF GROUP A.

10 (II) THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SELECTED IN GROUP B
11 SHALL MATCH THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SELECTED IN GROUP A.

12 (C) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, A SCHOOL SHALL ENSURE THAT THE
13 SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL IS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL
14 COMMUNITY.

15 (D) A SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL SHALL OVERSEE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
16 SCHOOL-SPECIFIC BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND'S FUTURE GRANTS.

17 (E) A SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL SHALL PERFORM ANY OTHER TASKS TO CARRY
18 OUT THE MISSION OF THE SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL.

19 4-504.

20 (A) (1) EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY SHALL CREATE A SCHOOL
21 PLAN FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT.

22 (2) A PLAN SHALL DESCRIBE THE GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND
23 STRATEGIES THAT WILL BE USED TO IMPROVE STUDENT OUTCOMES AND STUDENT
24 PERFORMANCE.

25 (3) A SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL SHALL DEVELOP THE CONTENT OF THE
26 SCHOOL'S PLAN.

27 (B) (1) BEFORE DEVELOPING A PLAN, A SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL SHALL:

28 (I) CONDUCT A NEEDS ASSESSMENT OF THE SCHOOL; AND

1 **(II) IDENTIFY A PROCESS FOR EVALUATING AND MONITORING**
2 **THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN AND PROGRESS MADE TOWARD**
3 **ACCOMPLISHING THE GOALS OF THE PLAN.**

4 **(2) (I) THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH**
5 **(1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL:**

6 **1. FORM THE BASIS OF THE GOALS CONTAINED IN THE**
7 **PLAN; AND**

8 **2. INCLUDE AN ANALYSIS OF VERIFIABLE STATE DATA**
9 **THAT IS INFORMED BY AND CONSISTENT WITH THE BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND'S**
10 **FUTURE.**

11 **(II) THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT MAY INCLUDE AN ANALYSIS OF**
12 **DATA DEVELOPED BY THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM TO MEASURE STUDENT**
13 **OUTCOMES.**

14 **(3) (I) A SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL SHALL SUBMIT A COPY OF THE**
15 **NEEDS ASSESSMENT TO THE COUNTY BOARD WITHIN 10 DAYS OF COMPLETION.**

16 **(II) THE COUNTY BOARD MAY DETERMINE THE EXTENT TO**
17 **WHICH THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT APPLIES TO THE NEEDS OF THE SCHOOL.**

18 **(C) (1) A PLAN SHALL INCLUDE:**

19 **(I) GOALS TO IMPROVE STUDENT OUTCOMES, INCLUDING**
20 **ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF SPECIFIC STUDENT GROUPS AS IDENTIFIED IN THE**
21 **NEEDS ASSESSMENT;**

22 **(II) EVIDENCE-BASED STRATEGIES, ACTIONS, OR SERVICES TO**
23 **IMPROVE STUDENT OUTCOMES; AND**

24 **(III) PROPOSED EXPENDITURES NEEDED TO ADDRESS THE**
25 **FINDINGS OF THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT CONSISTENT WITH THE BLUEPRINT FOR**
26 **MARYLAND'S FUTURE.**

27 **(2) THE PROPOSED EXPENDITURES IN PARAGRAPH (1)(III) OF THIS**
28 **SUBSECTION SHALL BE BASED ON PROJECTED RESOURCE ALLOCATIONS FROM THE**
29 **COUNTY BOARD.**

30 **(D) (1) A PLAN SHALL BE REVIEWED, UPDATED, AND APPROVED BY THE**
31 **GOVERNING BODY OF THE SCHOOL:**

1 **(I) ANNUALLY; AND**

2 **(II) WHEN THERE ARE MATERIAL CHANGES THAT AFFECT**
3 **ACADEMIC PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS.**

4 **(2) IF A PLAN IS NOT APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE**
5 **SCHOOL, THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL PROVIDE THE SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL WITH**
6 **SPECIFIC REASONS FOR THE DISAPPROVAL OF THE PLAN.**

7 **(E) (1) IF A PLAN CREATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE MEETS**
8 **THE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED IN THE FEDERAL EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS**
9 **ACT, THE PLAN MAY SERVE AS A SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN REQUIRED UNDER**
10 **FEDERAL LAW FOR SCHOOLS IDENTIFIED FOR TARGETED OR COMPREHENSIVE**
11 **SUPPORT.**

12 **(2) A SCHOOL MAY USE THE SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL TO MEET THE**
13 **STAKEHOLDER REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED IN THE FEDERAL EVERY STUDENT**
14 **SUCCEEDS ACT.**

15 **4-505.**

16 **THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL ADOPT POLICIES TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS**
17 **OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

18 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July**
19 **1, 2021.**