

HOUSE BILL 1142

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By: **Howard County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 8, 2021

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Howard County – School Redistricting – Public Testimony**

3 **Ho. Co. 07–21**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring, during a school redistricting process in which the
5 redistricting plan proposed by the Howard County Board of Education differs from
6 the redistricting plan proposed by the Howard County Superintendent of Schools,
7 that the county board allow a certain number of members of a household whose
8 school assignment is changed only in the county board’s plan to provide public
9 testimony before the final vote on either school redistricting plan; and generally
10 relating to the Howard County Board of Education and school redistricting.

11 BY adding to
12 Article – Education
13 Section 4–109.1
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Education**

19 **4–109.1.**

20 **(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN HOWARD COUNTY.**

21 **(B) DURING A SCHOOL REDISTRICTING PROCESS, IF THE REDISTRICTING**
22 **PLAN PROPOSED BY THE COUNTY BOARD DIFFERS FROM THE REDISTRICTING PLAN**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 PROPOSED BY THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT, THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL ALLOW
2 ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OF A HOUSEHOLD WHOSE SCHOOL ASSIGNMENT IS
3 CHANGED ONLY IN THE COUNTY BOARD'S PLAN TO PROVIDE PUBLIC TESTIMONY
4 BEFORE THE FINAL VOTE ON EITHER PLAN.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
6 1, 2021.