

SENATE BILL 915

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By: **Senator McCray**

Introduced and read first time: February 9, 2021

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **The Blueprint for Maryland's Future – Performance Standards – Clarifications**

3 FOR the purpose of clarifying that the performance standards referred to in The Blueprint
4 for Maryland's Future are the standards required in certain regulations; clarifying
5 that the accountability system for The Blueprint for Maryland's Future ensures
6 adequate funds are provided by State and local jurisdictions to local education
7 agencies to achieve the performance standards required in certain regulations; and
8 generally relating to clarifying the performance standards required by The Blueprint
9 for Maryland's Future.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
11 Article – Education
12 Section 1–303(8) and (9)
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

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

17 **Article – Education**

18 1–303.

19 The foundation of a world–class education system in Maryland under The Blueprint
20 for Maryland's Future for education will require:

21 (8) Funding that is sufficient to enable students to achieve the State's
22 performance standards, **AS REQUIRED IN TITLE 13A OF COMAR**, and that is distributed
23 equitably to school systems and schools across the State; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (9) A strong system of accountability with the authority to hold all of the
2 entities that are an integral part of the education system accountable for implementing The
3 Blueprint for Maryland's Future and ensuring that **ADEQUATE** funds are **PROVIDED BY**
4 **STATE AND LOCAL JURISDICTIONS FOR LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCIES IN THE STATE**
5 **TO MEET PERFORMANCE STANDARD REQUIREMENTS IN TITLE 13A OF COMAR,**
6 **AND ARE** being spent effectively consistent with the policy framework to ensure that all
7 students are successful.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
9 1, 2021.