



MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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BILL: HB0503 (Cross filed with SB0391)
TITLE: Primary and Secondary Schools - Dependent Children of Service Members - Enrollment and Documentation Requirements
DATE: 2/14/2020
POSITION: SUPPORT
COMMITTEE: Ways and Means
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The Montgomery County Board of Education (Board) **supports** HB0503.

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) thoroughly follows the Military Compact for Educational Opportunity for Military Children. The Compact articulates accommodations in place so that children of active military are not disadvantaged as they have to change school systems due to frequent moves. MCPS also has an active relationship with Tashina Andrus, the military's Montgomery County School Liaison Officer, to ensure that military parents and students have access to the information and resources they need to fully take advantage of their education in MCPS.

MCPS would have no problem accommodating this slight change, which would allow for earlier enrollment of students once a relocation was confirmed for the military family member.

For these reasons, the Board **supports** this legislation and urges a favorable report.