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**BILL NO.:**           **HB 599**

**TITLE:**             Baltimore County Board of Education - Student Member -  
Selection

**SPONSOR:**         Delegate P. Young

**COMMITTEE:**      Ways and Means

**POSITION:**       **SUPPORT**

**DATE:**             February 13, 2020

Baltimore County **SUPPORTS** House Bill 599 – Baltimore County Board of Education - Student Member - Selection. This bill would require that the student member of the Baltimore County Board of Education be elected by middle and high school students of the County.

As a former student member of the Baltimore County Board of Education, County Executive Johnny Olszewski knows how essential a role this position plays in the lives of our students. Student members are responsible for keeping the Board advised of the thoughts and feelings of the student body, and the role gives selected students unique leadership and communications experience.

Few people can claim more expertise in the experience of student life than the students themselves, and by establishing an election process that includes middle and high students, this bill would ensure that the needs of all our students are being heard and addressed by the student member as they represent those interests to the Board of Education.

Accordingly, Baltimore County requests a **FAVORABLE** report on HB 599. For more information, please contact Chuck Conner, Chief Legislative Officer, at 443-900-6582.