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BILL NO.: **HB 598**

TITLE: Baltimore County Board of Education - Student Member -
Scholarship

SPONSOR: Delegate P. Young

COMMITTEE: Ways And Means

POSITION: **SUPPORT**

DATE: February 19, 2020

Baltimore County **SUPPORTS** House Bill 599 – Baltimore County Board of Education - Student Member – Scholarship. This bill would increase the scholarship granted to the Baltimore County student member of the Board to \$7,500.

County Executive Johnny Olszewski has firsthand knowledge of the Student Member of the Board’s importance, as he served as Baltimore County’s student member of the board in 1999. Student members serve as the voice of the student body and provide a unique source of information and influence on the board. Working with the board also means that students gain a leadership and communications experience.

Providing the student member of the board with a larger scholarship is likely to lead to more interest in the position from students, particularly in the face of higher education becoming increasingly more expensive. It is necessary to guarantee that student members of the board—who provide the county with a great deal of their time and energy—have the support they need to achieve their dreams after the graduate.

Accordingly, Baltimore County requests a **FAVORABLE** report on HB 598. For more information, please contact Chuck Conner, Chief Legislative Officer, at 443-900-6582.