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Sponsor Testimony – House Bill 1060 - Charles County Board of Education – Membership Alterations

Dear Chairwoman Anne Kaiser, Vice-Chairman Alonzo Washington and Members of the Ways & Means Committee:

For the record, I am Delegate Edith Patterson testifying in support of House Bill 1060.

As presented, I am in the process of engaging with stakeholders and these are the issues we are working on. This proposed legislation seeks to alter the manner of election for certain members of the Charles County Board of Education by specifying that certain members be elected from certain existing commissioner districts and at-large; establishing staggered terms of service for elected members beginning with a certain election; prohibiting elected members from serving a certain number of consecutive terms; requiring vacancies to be filled by Board of Education members under certain circumstances; establishing a residency requirement for an individual appointed to fill a certain vacancy; requiring the Board of Education to interview an applicant for a certain vacancy on the county board of education in a certain manner; requiring a student member of the county board, and an alternate, to be selected by a certain entity and having voting rights that exclude matters pertaining to special education placements, collective bargaining, or personnel matters.

I am requesting a favorable report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edith Patterson".

Delegate Edith J. Patterson
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