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BILL: HB 102  
TITLE: Education - Dependent Children of Active Service Members  
DATE: January 29, 2026  
POSITION: Favorable  
COMMITTEE: House Ways and Means Committee  
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The Public School Superintendents' Association of Maryland (PSSAM), on behalf of all twenty-four public school superintendents, **supports** House Bill 102.

This bill requires local school systems to allow a dependent child of a service member to apply for advance enrollment in a public school and specifies requirements for advance enrollment procedures. The Secretary of Veterans and Military Families, in consultation with specified entities, must publish and maintain information on (1) advance enrollment procedures and (2) any assistance and services available to service members regarding advance enrollment. The bill takes effect July 1, 2026.

PSSAM appreciates the intent of House Bill 102 in addressing the challenges faced by current enrollment procedures for dependent students of service members. Last year PSSAM supported this legislation with amendments that have been incorporated into this year's version of the bill.

Therefore, PSSAM **supports** House Bill 102.