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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County - Appointment of Members to the Board of Education**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the School Board Nominating Convention to perform
4 certain duties; requiring the Governor to appoint members of the Anne Arundel
5 County Board of Education from a list of a certain number of nominees submitted
6 by the School Board Nominating Convention of Anne Arundel County; providing
7 for the filling of a vacancy on the County Board; requiring the School Board
8 Nominating Convention to submit an additional list under certain circumstances;
9 requiring the Governor to appoint members to the County Board if the School
10 Board Nominating Convention fails to provide a list of nominees under certain
11 circumstances; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the selection
12 process for members of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article - Education
15 Section 3-110
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
19 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article - Education**

21 3-110.

22 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION" MEANS
23 THE ORGANIZATION IN EXISTENCE ON JANUARY 1, 1996 THAT SELECTS INDIVIDUALS
24 TO BE NOMINEES FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD IN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.

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1 ~~(A)~~ (B) The Anne Arundel County Board consists of 8 members who shall be
2 appointed as follows:

3 (1) 3 from the County at large;

4 (2) 1 each from Legislative Districts 31, 32, and 33;

5 (3) 1 from Legislative District 27B (Anne Arundel County Election District
6 7; Precincts 1 and 2) or District 30; and

7 (4) 1 student member.

8 (C) THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION SHALL:

9 (1) ADOPT AND MAINTAIN BYLAWS THAT INCLUDE RULES AND
10 PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION AND
11 THAT PROVIDE FOR REPRESENTATIVE CITIZEN PARTICIPATION IN SELECTING
12 QUALIFIED CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE COUNTY BOARD;

13 (2) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS BYLAWS, SOLICIT AND RECEIVE
14 APPLICATIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS SEEKING TO BE APPOINTED TO THE COUNTY
15 BOARD;

16 (3) CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARINGS; AND

17 (4) SUBMIT A LIST OF THREE QUALIFIED NOMINEES FOR EACH
18 VACANCY ON THE COUNTY BOARD TO THE GOVERNOR BY JUNE 1 OF EACH YEAR.

19 ~~(B)~~ (D) (1) EXCEPT FOR THE STUDENT MEMBER, THE GOVERNOR SHALL
20 APPOINT A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY BOARD FROM A THE LIST OF THREE
21 NOMINEES SUBMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR BY THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING
22 CONVENTION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY FOR EACH VACANCY TO BE FILLED.

23 (2) IF A VACANCY OCCURS ON THE COUNTY BOARD BETWEEN
24 MEETINGS OF THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION, THE GOVERNOR
25 MAY MAKE AN INTERIM APPOINTMENT UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT THE SCHOOL
26 BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION CAN MEET AND SUBMIT A LIST OF THREE
27 NOMINEES FOR THE VACANCY TO THE GOVERNOR FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE
28 COUNTY BOARD.

29 (3) IF THE GOVERNOR DOES NOT AGREE TO APPOINT A MEMBER TO
30 THE COUNTY BOARD FROM THE LIST:

31 (I) THE GOVERNOR SHALL SPECIFY IN WRITING TO THE SCHOOL
32 BOARD NOMINATION CONVENTION THE REASONS FOR NOT APPOINTING A MEMBER
33 FROM THE LIST; AND

34 (II) THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION SHALL
35 SUBMIT AN ADDITIONAL LIST OF THREE NOMINEES TO THE GOVERNOR WITHIN 30
36 DAYS OF BEING NOTIFIED BY THE GOVERNOR.

37 (4) IF THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION FAILS TO
38 SUBMIT A LIST OF QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS TO THE GOVERNOR BY JUNE 1 OF EACH

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1 YEAR OR IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE
2 GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT:

3 (I) FOR A VACANCY IN AN AT LARGE SEAT, A QUALIFIED
4 RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY; AND

5 (II) FOR A VACANCY IN A LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT SEAT, A
6 QUALIFIED RESIDENT OF THE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT.

7 [(b)] ~~(E)~~ (1) The student member shall:

8 (i) Be a regularly enrolled senior year student of good character and
9 in good standing in an Anne Arundel County public high school;

10 (ii) Be selected in the student's junior year by a method selected by the
11 Chesapeake Regional Association of Student Councils of Anne Arundel County; and

12 (iii) 1. Serve a term of 1 year; and

13 2. Continue to serve after graduation and until a successor is
14 appointed and qualifies.

15 (2) If a vacancy in the position of the student member occurs during the
16 term of the student member, the Chesapeake Regional Association of Student Councils
17 shall:

18 (i) Conduct a special election at its next general meeting; and

19 (ii) By utilizing the same method that it used to select the previous
20 student member of the Board, select another student member to fill the vacancy.

21 [(c)] ~~(D)~~ (F) A Board member who does not maintain the residency
22 qualification shall be replaced as a member.

23 [(d)] ~~(E)~~ (G) If the boundary line of a legislative district changes, an incumbent
24 member of the County Board who, because of the change, no longer resides in the
25 legislative district from which the member was appointed may complete the term.

26 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
27 October 1, 1996.