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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County Board of Education - Selection Process**

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

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

16 Article - Education

17 Section 3-110

18 Annotated Code of Maryland

19 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

20 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

21 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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1 **Article - Education**

2 3-110.

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

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

8 (1) 3 from the County at large;

9 (2) 1 each from Legislative Districts 31, 32, and 33;

10 (3) 1 from Legislative District 27B (Anne Arundel County Election District
11 7; Precincts 1 and 2) or District 30; and

12 (4) 1 student member.

13 (C) THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION SHALL:

14 (1) ADOPT AND MAINTAIN BYLAWS THAT INCLUDE RULES AND
15 PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION AND
16 THAT PROVIDE FOR THE REPRESENTATIVE CITIZEN PARTICIPATION IN SELECTING
17 QUALIFIED CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE COUNTY BOARD;

18 (2) IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS BYLAWS, SOLICIT AND RECEIVE
19 APPLICATIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS SEEKING TO BE APPOINTED TO THE COUNTY
20 BOARD;

21 (3) CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARINGS; AND

22 (4) SUBMIT A LIST OF THREE QUALIFIED NOMINEES FOR EACH
23 VACANCY ON THE COUNTY BOARD TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE BY JUNE 1 OF EACH
24 YEAR.

25 ~~(B)~~ (D) (1) EXCEPT FOR THE STUDENT MEMBER, THE COUNTY
26 EXECUTIVE SHALL APPOINT A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY BOARD FROM ~~A~~ THE LIST
27 OF THREE NOMINEES SUBMITTED TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE BY THE SCHOOL
28 BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY FOR EACH
29 VACANCY TO BE FILLED.

30 (2) IF A VACANCY OCCURS ON THE COUNTY BOARD BETWEEN
31 MEETINGS OF THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION, THE COUNTY
32 EXECUTIVE MAY MAKE AN INTERIM APPOINTMENT UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT THE
33 SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION CAN MEET AND SUBMIT A LIST OF
34 THREE NOMINEES FOR THE VACANCY TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOR
35 APPOINTMENT TO THE COUNTY BOARD.

36 ~~(2)~~ (3) IF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE DOES NOT AGREE TO APPOINT A
37 MEMBER TO THE COUNTY BOARD FROM THE LIST:

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1 (I) THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE SHALL SPECIFY, IN WRITING, THE
2 REASONS FOR NOT APPOINTING A MEMBER FROM THE LIST; AND

3 (II) THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION SHALL
4 SUBMIT AN ADDITIONAL LIST OF THREE NOMINEES TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
5 WITHIN 30 DAYS OF BEING NOTIFIED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE.

6 (4) IF THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION FAILS TO
7 SUBMIT A LIST OF QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE BY JUNE 1
8 OF EACH YEAR OR IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION,
9 THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE SHALL APPOINT:

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

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

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

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

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

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

20 2. Continue to serve after graduation and until a successor is
21 appointed and qualifies.

22 (2) If a vacancy in the position of the student member occurs during the
23 term of the student member, the Chesapeake Regional Association of Student Councils
24 shall:

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

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

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

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

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

