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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Education - Public Schools - Promotion of Students

- 3 FOR the purpose of establishing certain criteria for the promotion of a student to the
- 4 next grade level in a public school; and generally relating to promotion of public
- 5 school students.
- 6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 7 Article Education
- 8 Section 7-205
- 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 10 (1997 Replacement Volume)
- 11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
- 12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 13 **Article Education**
- 14 7-205.
- 15 (a) The promotion of students in a public school and graduation from a public
- 16 high school shall be in accordance with:
- 17 (1) Policies established by the county board; and
- 18 (2) The rules and regulations of the State Board.
- 19 (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THE PROMOTION
- 20 OF STUDENTS IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL TO THE NEXT GRADE LEVEL SHALL BE BASED
- 21 SOLELY ON THE STUDENT'S ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE AND DEMONSTRATED
- 22 COMPETENCY.
- [(b)] (C) (1) Each student who graduates from a public high school shall receive
- 24 the same type of diploma or certificate, regardless of the high school attended or the
- 25 course taken.
- 26 (2) The diploma or certificate shall state that the student has completed a
- 27 program of studies satisfactorily in accordance with the requirements of the State Board.
- 28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 29 July 1, 1997.