
By: Chairman, Economic and Environmental Affairs Committee (Departmental - Education)

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Assigned to: Economic and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education - Student Suspension and Expulsion**

3 FOR the purpose of broadening the authority of a county superintendent of schools to
4 deny attendance to a student who has been expelled from another school system;
5 and generally relating to student attendance and expulsion.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article - Education
8 Section 7-305(d)
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 7-305.

15 (d) (1) Any student expelled or suspended from school:

16 (i) Shall remain away from the school premises during those hours
17 each school day when the school the student attends is in session; and

18 (ii) May not participate in school sponsored activities.

19 (2) The expelled or suspended student may return to the school premises
20 during the prohibited hours only for attendance at a previously scheduled appointment,
21 and if the student is a minor then only if accompanied by his parent or guardian.

22 (3) Any person who violates paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection is guilty
23 of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$100 for each
24 violation.

25 (4) (i) If a student has been suspended or expelled, the principal or a
26 designee of the principal may not return the student to the classroom without conferring
27 with the teacher who referred the student to the principal, if the student was referred by

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1 a teacher, other teachers as appropriate, other appropriate school personnel, the student,
2 and the student's parent or guardian.

3 (ii) If the disruptive behavior results in action less than suspension, the
4 principal or a designee of the principal shall confer with the teacher who referred the
5 student to the principal prior to returning the student to that teacher's classroom.

6 (5) A county superintendent may deny attendance to any student who is
7 currently expelled from another school system [in the State] for a length of time equal to
8 that expulsion.

9 (6) A school system shall forward information to another school system
10 relating to the discipline of a student, including information on an expulsion of the
11 student, on receipt of the request for information.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
13 July 1, 1997.