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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

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:

- (i) Shall remain away from the school premises during those hourseach school day when the school the student attends is in session; and
- 18 (ii) May not participate in school sponsored activities.

1 (2) The expelled or suspended student may return to the school premises 2 during the prohibited hours only for attendance at a previously scheduled appointment, 3 and if the student is a minor then only if accompanied by his parent or guardian.

4 (3) Any person who violates paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection is guilty 5 of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$100 for each 6 violation.

7 (4) (i) If a student has been suspended or expelled, the principal or a 8 designee of the principal may not return the student to the classroom without conferring 9 with the teacher who referred the student to the principal, if the student was referred by 10 a teacher, other teachers as appropriate, other appropriate school personnel, the student, 11 and the student's parent or guardian.

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

(5) A county superintendent may deny attendance to any student who iscurrently expelled from another school system [in the State] for a length of time equal tothat expulsion.

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

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 22 July 1, 1997.

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