Department of Fiscal Services

Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 250 (Delegate Leopold, *et al.*) Ways and Means

Anne Arundel County Board of Education - Selection of Members

This bill provides for three methods of selecting members to the Anne Arundel County Board of Education. The method of selecting board members would be determined by a referendum of legally qualified voters of Anne Arundel County at the 1998 general election. Under current law members are appointed by the Governor.

The first method requires the county executive to appoint the members from a list submitted by the school board nominating convention. The second method, which conforms to current law, requires the Governor to appoint the members from a list submitted by the school board nominating convention. The third method provides for seven members to be elected at a general election, with one member elected from each of the county's seven councilmanic districts. The student member would be selected by the Chesapeake Regional Association of Student Councils of Anne Arundel County.

The selection method that receives the largest number of votes becomes effective on December 1, 1998.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: None. Altering the selection process of school board members would not affect Anne Arundel County finances.

Small Business Effect: None. Small businesses would not be directly affected.

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