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25 New Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners.

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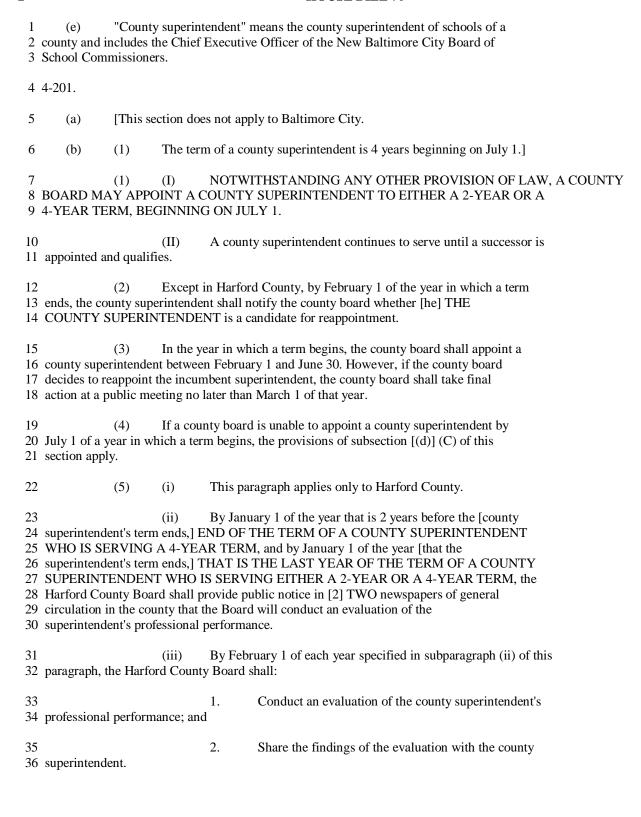
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Assigned to: Ways and Means

	A BILL ENTITLED
1	AN ACT concerning
2	County Boards of Education - Authority to Appoint County Superintendents of Schools
4 5 6 7 8	FOR the purpose of authorizing county boards of education in the State to appoint county superintendents of schools to terms of certain lengths; clarifying certain authority of the Board of Education in Harford County; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to the authority of county boards of education in the State.
9 10 11 12	Section 1-101(c), (d), and (e) Annotated Code of Maryland
14 15 16 17	Section 4-201 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 20	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
21	Article - Education
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"County" means a county of this State and includes Baltimore City.

"County board" means the board of education of a county and includes the



3 4	superintendent is a car County Board that the	ndidate for superint	1. By December 1 of the year preceding a year in which the endent shall notify the County Board whether the or reappointment. If the superintendent notifies the endent is not a candidate for reappointment, then the gragraph shall not apply.		
	newspapers of general candidate for reappoin		2. The County Board shall provide public notice in [2] TWO on in the county whether the superintendent is a		
9 10	[(c)] (B) (1) An individual may not be appointed as county superintendent unless [he] THE INDIVIDUAL:				
11 12	Superintendent;	(i)	Is eligible to be issued a certificate for the office by the State		
13		(ii)	Has graduated from an accredited college or university; and		
	or university, including teaching.	(iii) ng public	Has completed 2 years of graduate work at an accredited college school administration, supervision, and methods of		
17 18	(2) approved in writing b		ointment of a county superintendent is not valid unless te Superintendent.		
	(3) If the State Superintendent disapproves an appointment, [he] THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT shall give [his] THE SUPERINTENDENT'S reasons for disapproval in writing to the county board.				
	[(d)] (C) If a vacancy occurs in the office of county superintendent, the county board shall appoint an interim county superintendent who serves until July 1 after [his] THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S appointment.				
25 26	[(e)] (D) (1) for:	The Stat	e Superintendent may remove a county superintendent		
27		(i)	Immorality;		
28		(ii)	Misconduct in office;		
29		(iii)	Insubordination;		
30		(iv)	Incompetency; or		
31		(v)	Willful neglect of duty.		
34	(2) Before removing a county superintendent, the State Superintendent shall send [him] THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT a copy of the charges against [him] THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT and give [him] THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT an opportunity within 10 days to request a hearing.				

- 1 (3) If the county superintendent requests a hearing within the 10-day 2 period:

 3 (i) The State Superintendent promptly shall hold a hearing, but a 4 hearing may not be set within 10 days after the State Superintendent sends the 5 county superintendent a notice of the hearing; and

 6 (ii) The county superintendent shall have an opportunity to be 7 heard publicly before the State Superintendent in [his] THE COUNTY 8 SUPERINTENDENT'S own defense, in person, or by counsel.
- 9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 10 July 1, 1998.