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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education - Public Schools - School Uniforms**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring each public elementary and secondary school in the
4 State to implement the use of school uniforms by all students in the public
5 school if a certain percent of parents of students in the school approve of the
6 mandatory use of school uniforms, pursuant to a certain opinion survey; and
7 requiring each county board of education to assist the public schools in
8 implementing the mandatory use of school uniforms.

9 BY adding to
10 Article - Education
11 Section 7-113
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article - Education**

17 7-113.

18 (A) (1) DURING THE 1998-1999 SCHOOL YEAR, THE RECOGNIZED
19 PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION AT EACH PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY
20 SCHOOL IN THE STATE SHALL CONDUCT AN OPINION SURVEY OF THE PARENTS OF
21 STUDENTS AT THE SCHOOL ON THE SUBJECT OF WHETHER TO IMPLEMENT THE
22 MANDATORY USE OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS IN THE SCHOOL.

23 (2) IF AT LEAST 51% OF THE RESPONDING PARENTS FAVOR MANDATORY
24 USE OF SCHOOL UNIFORMS, THE SCHOOL SHALL IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM OF
25 MANDATORY SCHOOL UNIFORMS BEGINNING IN THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.

26 (B) THE COUNTY BOARD OF EACH COUNTY:

27 (1) SHALL FACILITATE THE OPINION SURVEYS REQUIRED UNDER THIS
28 SECTION; AND

1 (2) MAY SPECIFY THE TYPE OF CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR THAT A
2 SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY MAY REQUIRE IN IMPLEMENTING A MANDATORY SCHOOL
3 UNIFORM POLICY.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 July 1, 1998.