

Department of Legislative Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE

House Bill 888 (Calvert County Delegation)

Ways and Means

**Calvert County Board of Education - Authority to Appoint the County
Superintendent of Schools**

This bill authorizes the Calvert County Board of Education to appoint a county superintendent to either a two-year or four-year term. Under current law, the county superintendent's term is set at four years.

This bill takes effect July 1, 1998.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Indeterminate impact on Calvert County expenditures. Revenues would not be affected.

Small Business Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

Local Expenditures: Reducing the Calvert County School Superintendent's term from four to two years could increase the number of "superintendent searches" conducted by the school district. A nationwide "superintendent search" is estimated to cost at least \$50,000, which includes consulting, travel, and advertisement costs. Local or regional searches would cost considerably less. The impact on the superintendent's compensation package due to a shorter term cannot be determined.

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