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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Pilot Program - Suspended and**
3 **Expelled Students**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education to establish in a county
5 designated by the State Superintendent of Schools a juvenile justice alternative
6 education pilot program for certain suspended and expelled students;
7 authorizing the State Board to select a private agency to administer the juvenile
8 justice alternative education pilot program; requiring certain students to attend
9 the juvenile justice alternative education pilot program except under certain
10 circumstances; requiring the juvenile justice alternative education program to
11 provide certain programs and services; requiring the State Board to report to
12 the General Assembly on or before a certain date each year; providing for the
13 termination of this Act; and generally relating to a juvenile justice alternative
14 education pilot program for suspended and expelled students.

15 BY adding to
16 Article - Education
17 Section 7-305.1
18 Annotated Code of Maryland
19 (1999 Replacement Volume)

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

22 **Article - Education**

23 7-305.1.

24 (A) THE STATE BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH IN A COUNTY DESIGNATED BY THE
25 STATE SUPERINTENDENT A JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PILOT
26 PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ARE SUSPENDED OR EXPELLED AS
27 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.

28 (B) THE STATE BOARD MAY SELECT A PRIVATE AGENCY TO ADMINISTER THE
29 JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM.

1 (C) EXCEPT FOR A STUDENT WHO IS ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT AND
2 COMMITTED BY THE JUVENILE COURT TO A PUBLIC OR LICENSED PRIVATE AGENCY
3 FOR PLACEMENT IN A FACILITY UNDER § 3-820 OF THE COURTS ARTICLE, OR A
4 STUDENT WITH A DISABILITY DESCRIBED IN § 7-305(F) OF THIS SUBTITLE, A
5 STUDENT WHO IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND SCHOOL UNDER § 7-301 OF THIS SUBTITLE
6 AND WHO IS SUSPENDED OR EXPELLED FROM A PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY
7 DESIGNATED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL ATTEND THE
8 JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM.

9 (D) THE JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM
10 SHALL:

11 (1) PROVIDE PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO PROMOTE SELF-DISCIPLINE AND
12 REDUCE DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR IN THE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT;

13 (2) ENSURE THAT THE STUDENT CONTINUES TO RECEIVE APPROPRIATE
14 EDUCATIONAL AND RELATED SERVICES DURING THE TERM OF THE SUSPENSION OR
15 EXPULSION; AND

16 (3) OFFER SERVICES TO FACILITATE THE STUDENT'S TRANSITION BACK
17 TO THE SCHOOL AFTER COMPLETION OF THE TERM OF SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before August 1 of
19 each year, the State Board of Education shall report to the Governor and, subject to §
20 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly on the
21 implementation of this Act.

22 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2001. It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of
24 September 30, 2005, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this
25 Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.