## By: Prince George's County Delegation

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CHAPTER $\qquad$
1 AN ACT concerning

5 FOR the purpose of redistricting the school board districts of Prince George's County
6 to reduce the number of districts; requiring that restructuring the members 7 membership of the Prince George's County Board of Education (County Board)

## BY renumbering

Article Education
Section 3-1003 through 3-1007, respectively

1 to be Section 3-113.4 through 3-113.8, respectively
2 Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
BY repealing
Article - Education
Section 3-1001
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article-Education
Section 3-108
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
BY adding to
Article Edueation
Section 3-113.2 and 3-113.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
BY adding to
Article-Education
Section 3-1001
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - Education
Section 3-114(a) 3-1002
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
BY repealing
Article Education
Section 3-1001 and 3-1002 and the subtitle "Subtitle 10. Prince George's County"
Amnotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)
SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
36 MARYLAND, That Section(s) 3-1003 through 3-1007, respectively, 3-1001 of Article

1 - Education of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s)
2 3-113.4 through 3-113.8, respectively repealed.
3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland 4 read as follows:

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## Article - Education

6 3-108.
7 (a) Except for the New Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners 8 established under § 3-108.1 of this subtitle and counties listed in § 3-114 of this 9 subtitle, the Governor shall appoint the members of each county board from the 10 residents of that county.

11 (b) (1) Each member shall be appointed solely because of character and 12 fitness and without regard to political affiliation.

13 (2) An individual who is subject to the authority of the county board may 14 not be appointed to or serve on the county board.

15 (c) (1) Each member serves for a term of 5 years beginning July 1 after his 16 appointment and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

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(2) The Governor shall appoint a new member to fill any vacancy on an 18 appointed board for the remainder of that term and until a successor is appointed and 19 qualifies.

20 (3) Unless otherwise disqualified under this section, a member of a 21 board is eligible for reappointment. However, an individual may not serve for more
22 than 2 consecutive terms.
23 (d) (1) With the approval of the Governor, the State Superintendent may 24 remove any member of a county board appointed under this section for:
(i) Immorality;

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(ii) Misconduct in office;
(iii) Incompetency;
(iv) Willful neglect of duty; or
(v) Failure to attend, without good cause, at least half of the 29 0 scheduled meetings of the board in any one calendar year.
(2) Before removing a member, the State Superintendent shall send the 32 member a copy of the charges against him and give him an opportunity within 10
33 days to request a hearing.
(3) If the member requests a hearing within the 10-day period:

1 , (i) 2 hearing may not be set within 10 days after the State Superintendent sends the 3 member a notice of the hearing; and

4 5 before the State Superintendent in his own defense, in person or by counsel. 8 appointed:
(i) A complete statement of all charges made against the member;
(ii) The findings of the State Superintendent; and
(iii) A complete record of the proceedings.

## 3-113.2.

(A) WHEN THE DESCRIPTION OF A SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT IN THIS SECTION REFERS TO AN ELECTION DISTRICT, IT REFERS TO ELECTION DISTRICTS THAT ARE TO THE GEOGRAPHCAL BOUNDARIES OF THE ELECTION DISTRICTS AS THEY EXISTED AS OF APRH 1, 1990; AND PRECINCTS ARE TO THE GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES OF THE PRECINCTS AS REVIEWED AND CERTIFIED BY THE LOCAL BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS OR THEIR DESIGNEES, BEFORE THEY WERE REPORTED TO THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF THE CENSUS AS PART OF THE 1990 CENSUS REDISTRICTING DATA PROGRAM AND AS THOSE PRECINCT LINES ARE SPECIFICALLY SHOWN ON THE P.L. 94171 CENSUS BLOCK MAPS PROVIDED BY THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF THE CENSUS AND AS REVIEWED AND CORRECTED BY THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING.
(B) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT I CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICTS $1 \wedge$ AND 10; $A \mathrm{ND}$
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 21, PRECINCTS 3 THROUGH 6, 8, 10, AND 13

THROUGH 15.

## (C) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT H CONSISTS OF:

(1) ELECTION DISTRICT 16,PRECINCTS 2 THROUGH 5;
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 17, PRECINCTS 1, 2, 3, AND 5 THROUGH 15;
(3) ELECTION DISTRICT 19, PRECINCTS 1 AND 3; ANP
(4) ELECTION DISTRICT 21, PRECINCTS 1, 2, 7, AND 12.
(D) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT \# CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICT 2;
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 13, PRECINCT 2;
(3) ELECTION DISTRICT 16, PRECINCT 1;
(4) ELECTION DISTRICT 18, PRECINCTS 3 AND 5;
(5) ELECTION DISTRICT 19, PRECINCTS 2, 4, AND 5;
(6) ELECTION DISTRICT 20, PRECINCTS 1, 2, 3, AND 5 THROUGH 9; AND
(7) ELECTION DISTRICT 21, PRECINCTS 9, 11, AND 16.
(E) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT IV CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICTS 7 AND 14;
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 3, PRECINCTS 2 AND 3;
(3) ELECTION DISTRICT 13, PRECINCTS 3 THROUGH 6, 8, AND 10; AND
(4) ELECTION DISTRICT 20, PRECINCT 4.
(F) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT V CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICT 6, PRECINCTS 1, 3, 5,6,10, 11, 15, 16, AND 19 THROUGH 22;
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 13, PRECINCTS 1, 7, AND 11;
(3) ELECTION DISTRICT 15, PRECINCT 2; AND
(4) ELECTION DISTRICT 18, PRECINCTS 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, AND 10.
(G) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT VI CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICT 12, PRECINCTS 1 THROUGH 13; AND
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 6, PRECINCTS 4, $7,8,9,12,13,14,17$, AND 18.
(H) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT VH CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICTS 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, AND 11;
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 6, PRECINCT 2;
(3) ELECTION DISTRICT 12, PRECINCT 14; AND
(4) ELECTION DISTRICT 15, PRECINCT 1 AND 3.

1 3-113.3.

2 (A) THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION CONSISTS OF 3 SEVEN APPOINTED MEMBERS AND ONE STUDENT MEMBER SELECTED UNDER 4 SUBSECTION (C)(2) OF THIS SECTION.
(2) THE GOVERNOR SHALL SELECT ONE OF THE NOMINEES FROM EACH 9

1 EXECUTIVE SESSION THAT RELATES TO HEARINGS ON APPEALS OF SPECIAL 2 EDUCATION PLACEMENTS, HEARINGS HELD UNDER § 6-202(A) OF THIS ARTICLE, OR 3 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

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(6) THE PRINCE GEORGE'S REGIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT 5 GOVERNMENTS MAY ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR THE ELECTION OF THE STUDENT 6 MEMBER OF THE COUNTY BOARD.

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(7) THE ELECTION PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED BY THE PRINCE 8 GEORGE'S REGIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT GOVERNMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO 9 THE APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD.

10 3-114.


5 3-1001.
26 (A) THE DESCRIPTIONS OF SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICTS, INCLUDING ALL 27 REFERENCES TO ELECTION DISTRICTS AND PRECINCTS, ARE TO GEOGRAPHICAL
28 BOUNDARIES OF THE ELECTION DISTRICTS AND PRECINCTS, AS REVIEWED AND
29 CERTIFIED BY THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
30 ELECTIONS AS PART OF THE 1990 CENSUS REDISTRICTING DATA PROGRAM.

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(B) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT I CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICT 1;
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 10, PRECINCTS 1 THROUGH 9;
(3) ELECTION DISTRICT 17, PRECINCTS 6, 7, AND 9 THROUGH 15; AND
(4) ELECTION DISTRICT 21, PRECINCTS 1, 4, 5, 10, 12, 14, AND 15.
(C) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT II CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICTS 2, 16, AND 19;
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 13, PRECINCT 2;
(3) ELECTION DISTRICT 17, PRECINCTS 1, 2, 3, 5, AND 8;
(4) ELECTION DISTRICT 18, PRECINCTS 1 THROUGH 5, 7, 8, AND 10;
(5) ELECTION DISTRICT 20, PRECINCT 8; AND
(6) ELECTION DISTRICT 21, PRECINCTS 2, 7, 8, AND 9.
(D) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT III CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICTS 3, 7, AND 14;
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 10, PRECINCT 10;
(3) ELECTION DISTRICT 13, PRECINCT 5;
(4) ELECTION DISTRICT 15, PRECINCTS 1 AND 3;
(5) ELECTION DISTRICT 20, PRECINCTS 1 THROUGH 7 AND 9; AND
(6) ELECTION DISTRICT 21, PRECINCTS 3, 6, 11, 13, AND 16.
(E) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT IV CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICT 6, PRECINCTS 1, 3 THROUGH 12, AND 14
(2) ELECTION DISTRICT 12, PRECINCTS 3 AND 13;
(3) ELECTION DISTRICT 13, PRECINCTS 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, AND 11;
(4) ELECTION DISTRICT 15, PRECINCT 2; AND
(5) ELECTION DISTRICT 18, PRECINCT 6.
(F) SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT V CONSISTS OF:
(1) ELECTION DISTRICTS 4, 8, 9, AND 11; 8 of the Prince George's County Board or a member appointed to fill a vacancy of one of 9 these nine members.
10 (b) (1) The Prince George's County Board consists of nine elected members11 and one student member selected under subsection $(f)(2)$ of this section.
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(3) An elected County Board member shall forfeit the office if the member:
(i) [Fails] IN THE CASE OF A MEMBER ELECTED TO REPRESENT A
26 SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT, FAILS to reside in the school board district from which the
27 member was elected, unless this change is caused by a change in the boundaries of 28 the district; or
(ii) Fails to be a registered voter of the County.
(4) A County Board member may not hold another office of profit in county government during the member's term.
(5) Each elected member of the County Board shall be nominated by the registered voters of the member's school board district.
(d) Members of the Prince George's County Board shall be elected:
(ii) If a contested primary was not held, reopen the filing process to 18 allow other persons to file as candidates.
$9 \quad(2) \quad$ (i) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, the Board of Supervisors of Elections shall add to the ballot for the general election the name of any person who files as a candidate in accordance with paragraph (1)(ii) of this subsection.
(ii) The Board of Supervisors of Elections may not add additional candidates to the ballot for the general election within 70 days before the date of the election.

26 (f) (1) The student member shall be an eleventh or twelfth grade student in 27 the Prince George's County public school system during the student's term in office.
(2) An eligible student shall file a nomination form at least 2 weeks 9 before a special election meeting of the Prince George's regional association of student 0 governments. Nomination forms shall be made available in the administrative offices
1 of all public senior high schools in the County, the office of student concerns, and the office of the president of the regional association. The delegates to the regional association annually shall elect the student member to the Board at a special election meeting to be held each school year.
(3) The student member may vote on all matters before the Board except 6 those relating to:
(i) Capital and operating budgets;
(ii) School closings, reopenings, and boundaries;

## Collective bargaining decisions;

(iii)
(iv) Student disciplinary matters;
(v) Teacher and administrator disciplinary matters as provided

4 under § 6-202(a) of this article; and
(4) On an affirmative vote of a majority of the elected members of the

7 County Board, the Board may determine if a matter before the Board relates to a
8 subject that the student member may not vote on under paragraph (3) of this
9 subsection.
10 (5) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the
11 County Board, the student member may not attend an executive session that relates
12 to hearings on appeals of special education placements, hearings held under $\S$
13 6-202(a) of this article, or collective bargaining.
4 (6) The Prince George's Regional Association of Student Governments 15 may establish procedures for the election of the student member of the County Board.

16 (7) The election procedures established by the Prince George's Regional
17 Association of Student Governments are subject to the approval of the elected
18 members of the County Board.
9 (g) (1) An elected member serves for a term of 4 years beginning on the first
20 Monday in December after the member's election and until a successor is elected and
21 qualifies.
(2) The terms of ELECTED members are staggered as required by the 23 terms of the members serving on the County Board [as of July 1, 1978] ON
24 DECEMBER 4, 2002.
$25 \quad[(2)] \quad$ (3) The student member serves for a term of 1 year beginning at
26 the end of a school year.
$27 \quad$ [(3)] (4) Subject to the confirmation of the County Council, the County
28 Executive of Prince George's County shall appoint a qualified individual to fill any
29 vacancy on the County Board until a successor is elected and qualifies at the next
30 Congressional election.
$31 \quad$ [(h) (1) The County Board members from school board districts II, V, and 32 VIII who were elected for the first time at the November 6, 1973 election serve until 33 the first Monday in December 1978 and may seek reelection in 1978 for a 4-year
34 term.
(2) The members from school board districts III, VI, and IX who were

36 elected at the November 6, 1973 election serve until the first Monday in December,
371980 and may seek reelection in 1980 for a 4-year term.]
$1 \quad[(\mathrm{i})] \quad(\mathrm{H}) \quad$ (1) With the approval of the Governor, the State Board may remove 2 a member of the County Board for any of the following reasons:

9 request a hearing.
10 (3) If the member requests a hearing within the 10-day period:
(ii) The member shall have an opportunity to be heard publicly 15 before the State Board in the member's own defense, in person or by counsel.

16 (4) A member removed under this subsection has the right to a de novo 17 review of the removal by the Circuit Court for Prince George's County.

18 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 3 1001 and 1931002 and the subtitle "Subtitle 10. Prince George's County" of Article Education of
20 the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed.
21 SECTION 4. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the terms of the 22 elected members of the Prince George's County Board of Education serving on June $2330 \underline{1}, 2002$, or of their successors selected to fill a vacancy, shall terminate on July 4 at 24 the end of December 3, 2002.

25 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding the 26 provisions of § 3-1002 (g)(1) of the Education Article, as enacted by this Act, the terms
27 of the members elected to the Prince George's County Board at the November 2002
28 general election shall be as follows:
(1) 4 years for each member elected to represent a school board election

30 district; and
(2) 2 years for each member elected at large.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 33 July June 1, 2002.

