

BY: Senator Green

AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL NO. 175, AS AMENDED

On page 131, under:

Heading: AID TO EDUCATION

Program: RA02.22

Entitled: Compensatory Education and SAFE Funding

In line 34, after “Appropriation” insert “, provided that for the Prince George’s County Public School System:

- (a) On or before July 1, the County Board of Education shall submit to the Management Oversight Panel an annual report on the status of each school under local reconstitution to include: funding; staff ratio of classroom teachers to students; current test scores; availability of instructional resources to include equipment, supplies, and materials; availability of technical assistance; strategies and recommendations for improvement; evaluation of progress and outcomes; and a timeline for implementation.
- (b) Beginning on July 1, 2002, the County Superintendent shall submit to the County Board of Education and concurrently to the Management Oversight Panel and the County House and Senate Legislative Delegations a quarterly progress report on:
  - (1) obtaining systemic involvement of school principals and classroom teachers in improving student instruction and overcoming obstacles to successful instruction and learning; and
  - (2) providing systemic instructional leadership to county schools to facilitate academic improvement.

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- (c) Beginning on July 1, 2002, the County Board of Education shall submit to the Management Oversight Panel quarterly status reports on implementation of the recommendations of the performance audit required under Section 5-206(g) of the Education Article and report the source and amount of savings anticipated by the implementation of the audit recommendations.
- (d) (1) The Prince George's County Board shall provide the Management Oversight Panel with prior notification of proposed personnel actions related to senior positions, substantial procurement actions, and major policy initiatives that involve priority recommendations from the performance audit as agreed on by the County Superintendent, the County Board, and the Management Oversight Panel, allowing the Management Oversight Panel the opportunity to assess whether the recommendations of the performance audit have been considered.
- (2) The required prior notification under paragraph (1) of this subsection includes providing the Management Oversight Panel with proposed job descriptions, scope of employment, proposed requests for proposals or qualifications, documentation describing the priority recommendations, and other items that the Prince George's County School System uses to conduct personnel, procurement, and policy actions. The school system:
- (i) shall provide a copy of the proposed action or initiative to the County Board and the Management Oversight Panel at the same time; and
- (ii) may not take formal action on the proposed action or initiative until the Management Oversight Panel provides comments to the school system in writing or the lesser of 45 days or the period for response jointly agreed on by the school system and the Management Oversight Panel for the proposed action or initiative expires.
- (3) If the County Board or the County Superintendent chooses not to follow the comments received from the Management Oversight Panel on a proposed action or initiative, the school system shall provide a written explanation of its rationale to the Management Oversight Panel and the State Superintendent before the school system takes action on the proposed action or initiative.”.

**Explanation:** The County Board of Education shall submit an annual report on the status of each school under local reconstitution. Additionally, the County Superintendent shall submit to the County Board of Education, the Management Oversight Panel, and the County House and Senate Legislative Delegations a quarterly progress report on the systemic involvement and leadership in improving academic achievement. The County Board of Education also shall submit to the Management Oversight Panel quarterly status reports on the implementation of the performance audit. Any Prince George's County Board-proposed senior personnel actions, substantial procurement actions, and major policy initiatives involving priority audit recommendations must be submitted to the Management Oversight Panel for review and comment.