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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Department of Juvenile Services - Enhancement of Programs

FOR the purpose of establishing the Department of Juvenile Services Education
 Department; requiring each facility established and operated by the

- Department, requiring each facility established and operated by the
- 5 Department of Juvenile Services to have an education center; requiring each
- 6 education center to provide year-round schooling; providing that each child in
- 7 the custody of the Department receive appropriate educational services;
- 8 providing that the Superintendent and Managing Director of Education in the
- 9 Department is responsible for the education of every child in the custody of the
- 10 Department; establishing the Department of Juvenile Services Board of
- 11 Education; providing for the appointment, terms, and removal of members of the
- 12 Board of Education; providing for the duties and responsibilities of the Board of
- 13 Education; requiring that each child in the custody of the Department be
- 14 assessed by the Education Department to determine the educational needs of
- 15 the child; requiring the Education Department to prepare a personal education 16 plan for each child; providing that the Education Department is responsible for
- preparing, maintaining, and retaining the academic records for each child;
- requiring the Board of Education to hire teachers and other school professional
- 19 staff subject to certain certification and requirements; requiring the Board of
- 20 Education to appoint all principals, teachers, and other certificated and
- 21 noncertificated personnel under certain circumstances; requiring the
- 22 Department to keep certain records; requiring a certain financially responsible
- 23 county to reimburse the Education Department a certain amount for each child
- 24 in the custody of the Department under certain circumstances; requiring the
- 25 State Board of Education to reimburse the Department for certain children
- 26 under certain circumstances; requiring the Department to submit an annual
- 27 report to the State Superintendent of Schools, the Governor, and the General
- Assembly on the educational outcomes of each child in the custody of the
- 29 Department; requiring the State Superintendent of Schools to adopt certain
- 30 regulations; defining certain terms; and generally relating to establishing the
- 31 Department of Juvenile Services Education Department.

32 BY adding to

- 1 Article 83C Juvenile Services
- 2 Section 5-101 through 5-112, inclusive, to be under the new title "Title 5.
- 3 Education Department"
- 4 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 5 (2003 Replacement Volume)

6 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 7 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

8 Article 83C - Juvenile Services
9 TITLE 5. EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

10 5-101.

11 (A) IN THIS TITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

12 (B) "BOARD" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES BOARD OF 13 EDUCATION.

14 (C) "EDUCATION DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE 15 SERVICES EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

16 (D) "STATE BOARD" MEANS THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

17 (E) "STATE SUPERINTENDENT" MEANS THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF 18 SCHOOLS.

(F) "SUPERINTENDENT" MEANS THE SUPERINTENDENT AND MANAGING
 DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES.

21 5-102.

22 (A) THERE IS AN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT.

23 (B) (1) EACH FACILITY ESTABLISHED AND OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT 24 UNDER § 2-117 OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL HAVE AN EDUCATION CENTER WITHIN THE 25 FACILITY.

26 (2) EACH EDUCATION CENTER SHALL PROVIDE YEAR-ROUND 27 SCHOOLING.

28 (C) EACH CHILD UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
29 RECEIVE APPROPRIATE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE EDUCATION
30 DEPARTMENT.

31 (D) THE SUPERINTENDENT SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EDUCATION OF
 32 EVERY CHILD UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT.

1 5-103. 2 THERE IS A DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES BOARD OF EDUCATION. (A) 3 **(B)** THE BOARD CONSISTS OF FIVE VOTING MEMBERS JOINTLY APPOINTED BY 4 THE GOVERNOR AND THE SECRETARY FROM A LIST OF QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS 5 SUBMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE SECRETARY BY THE STATE BOARD. EACH MEMBER SERVES FOR A TERM OF 3 YEARS BEGINNING JULY 1 6 (C) (1)7 AFTER THE APPOINTMENT AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND OUALIFIES. THE GOVERNOR AND THE SECRETARY SHALL APPOINT A NEW 8 (2)9 MEMBER TO FILL ANY VACANCY FOR THE REMAINDER OF THAT TERM AND UNTIL A 10 SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES. UNLESS OTHERWISE DISQUALIFIED UNDER THIS SECTION, A 11 (3)12 MEMBER OF THE BOARD IS ELIGIBLE FOR REAPPOINTMENT. HOWEVER, AN 13 INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT SERVE FOR MORE THAN TWO CONSECUTIVE TERMS. 14 WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY MAY (D) (1)15 REMOVE ANY MEMBER OF THE BOARD APPOINTED UNDER THIS SECTION FOR: 16 (I) IMMORALITY; 17 (II) MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE; 18 (III) **INCOMPETENCY**; 19 (IV) WILLFUL NEGLECT OF DUTY; OR 20 (V) FAILURE TO ATTEND, WITHOUT GOOD CAUSE, AT LEAST HALF 21 OF THE SCHEDULED MEETINGS OF THE BOARD IN ANY 1 CALENDAR YEAR. 22 BEFORE REMOVING A MEMBER, THE SECRETARY SHALL SEND THE (2)23 MEMBER A COPY OF THE CHARGES AGAINST THE MEMBER AND GIVE THE MEMBER 24 AN OPPORTUNITY WITHIN 10 DAYS TO REQUEST A HEARING. IF A MEMBER REQUESTS A HEARING WITHIN THE 10-DAY PERIOD: 25 (3) THE SECRETARY SHALL PROMPTLY HOLD A HEARING, BUT A (\mathbf{I})

(I) THE SECRETARY SHALL PROMPTLY HOLD A HEARING, BUT A
HEARING MAY NOT BE SET WITHIN 10 DAYS AFTER THE SECRETARY SENDS THE
MEMBER A NOTICE OF THE HEARING; AND

29 (II) THE MEMBER SHALL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD
30 PUBLICLY BEFORE THE SECRETARY IN THE MEMBER'S OWN DEFENSE, IN PERSON,
31 OR BY COUNSEL.

32 (4) IF A MEMBER WHO IS REMOVED SO REQUESTS, THE SECRETARY
33 SHALL FILE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY FROM
34 WHICH THE MEMBER WAS APPOINTED:

A COMPLETE STATEMENT OF ALL CHARGES MADE AGAINST

1 2 THE MEMBER; (I)

3 (II) THE FINDINGS OF THE SECRETARY; AND

4 (III) A COMPLETE RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

5 (E) EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD SERVES WITHOUT COMPENSATION.

6 (F) (1) ON APPOINTMENT OF THE BOARD, THE GOVERNOR AND THE
7 SECRETARY SHALL JOINTLY SELECT ONE OF THE VOTING MEMBERS TO SERVE AS
8 THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD WHO SHALL SERVE THROUGH JUNE 30, 2006.

9 (2) BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2006, AND EVERY 2 YEARS THEREAFTER, 10 FROM AMONG ITS VOTING MEMBERS THE BOARD SHALL ELECT A CHAIRMAN.

11 (G) ANY ACTION BY THE BOARD SHALL REQUIRE:

12 (1) A QUORUM OF A MAJORITY OF THE VOTING MEMBERS THEN 13 SERVING; AND

14(2)THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE VOTING MEMBERS15THEN SERVING.

16 5-104.

17 THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL:

18 (1) TO THE BEST OF ITS ABILITY, CARRY OUT THE APPLICABLE
19 PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE, THE EDUCATION ARTICLE, AND THE BYLAWS, RULES,
20 REGULATIONS, AND POLICIES OF THE STATE BOARD;

(2) MAINTAIN THROUGHOUT THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT A
 REASONABLY UNIFORM SYSTEM OF EDUCATION CENTERS THAT ARE DESIGNED TO
 PROVIDE QUALITY EDUCATION AND EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR
 CHILDREN IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT;

(3) SUBJECT TO THIS TITLE, THE EDUCATION ARTICLE, AND THE
APPLICABLE BYLAWS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS OF THE STATE BOARD,
DETERMINE, WITH THE ADVICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, THE EDUCATIONAL
POLICIES OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT; AND

(4) ADOPT, CODIFY, AND MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC BYLAWS,
30 RULES, AND REGULATIONS CONSISTENT WITH STATE LAW, FOR THE CONDUCT AND
31 MANAGEMENT OF THE EDUCATION CENTERS.

32 5-105.

33 SUBJECT TO THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE AND
 34 THE BYLAWS, BASIC POLICIES, AND GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE

1 BOARD, THE BOARD, ON WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT, 2 SHALL:

3 (1) ESTABLISH CURRICULUM GUIDES AND COURSES OF STUDY FOR THE 4 EDUCATION CENTERS UNDER ITS JURISDICTION; AND

5 (2) SUPPLY PRINTED COPIES OF THESE MATERIALS TO ANY TEACHER 6 OR INTERESTED CITIZEN.

7 5-106.

8 (A) EACH CHILD IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BE ASSESSED
9 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT TO DETERMINE THE
10 EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF THE CHILD.

(B) AFTER AN ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN COMPLETED AS REQUIRED IN
 SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE A
 PERSONAL EDUCATION PLAN FOR THE CHILD.

14 5-107.

15 THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARING,
16 MAINTAINING, AND RETAINING THE ACADEMIC RECORDS FOR EACH CHILD WHO IS
17 PLACED IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT.

18 5-108.

(A) THE BOARD SHALL HIRE AND OTHERWISE UTILIZE TEACHERS AND OTHER
 SCHOOL PROFESSIONAL STAFF WHO ARE SUBJECT TO THE SAME CERTIFICATION
 AND QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF TITLE 6 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.

(B) THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 6 OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE SHALL APPLY
TO THE PERSONNEL OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

24 5-109.

ON THE WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND SUBJECT
TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE, THE BOARD SHALL:

27 (1) APPOINT ALL PRINCIPALS, TEACHERS, AND OTHER CERTIFICATED 28 AND NONCERTIFICATED PERSONNEL; AND

29 (2) SET THEIR SALARIES.

30 5-110.

31 (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS 32 INDICATED.

33 (2) "LOCAL CURRENT EXPENSE PER STUDENT" MEANS ALL
34 EXPENDITURES MADE BY A COUNTY FROM COUNTY APPROPRIATIONS, EXCEPT

STATE, FEDERAL, AND OTHER AID, FOR PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY
 EDUCATION IN THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR, DIVIDED BY THE FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT
 ENROLLMENT, AS DEFINED IN § 5-202(A) OF THE EDUCATION ARTICLE.

4 (3) "CHILD IN AN OUT-OF-HOME LIVING ARRANGEMENT" MEANS A 5 CHILD WHO IS IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT.

6 (4) "FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE COUNTY" MEANS:

7 (I) THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF 8 A CHILD IN AN OUT-OF-HOME LIVING ARRANGEMENT RESIDES;

9 (II) IF THE PARENTS OF THE CHILD LIVE APART, THE COUNTY IN 10 WHICH THE PARENT WHO HAS BEEN AWARDED CUSTODY OF THE CHILD RESIDES; OR

(III) IF CUSTODY HAS NOT BEEN AWARDED, THE COUNTY IN WHICH
 THE PARENT WITH WHOM THE CHILD LIVES WHEN NOT IN A FOSTER CARE HOME OR
 RESIDENTIAL FACILITY RESIDES.

14 (B) A CHILD WHO IS PLACED IN AN OUT-OF-HOME LIVING ARRANGEMENT
15 WITH THE DEPARTMENT SHALL RECEIVE AN APPROPRIATE EDUCATION FROM THE
16 EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

17 (C) (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL KEEP RECORDS CONCERNING:

18(I)THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN THE CUSTODY OF THE19 DEPARTMENT;

20 (II) THE FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE COUNTY FOR EACH CHILD; 21 AND

22 (III) THE NUMBER OF DAYS THAT EACH CHILD IS IN THE CUSTODY 23 OF THE DEPARTMENT.

24 (2) THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE AMOUNT
25 EACH FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE COUNTY OWES THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
26 BASED ON THE LOCAL CURRENT EXPENSE PER STUDENT.

(3) THE FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE COUNTY SHALL REIMBURSE THE
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE EDUCATION OF EACH CHILD FROM THE
FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE COUNTY BASED ON THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN THE
CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT FROM THE PRIOR YEAR.

(D) (1) EACH YEAR THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY THE
STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE NAME OF EACH CHILD UNDER THE JURISDICTION
OF THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES FROM THE EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT AND MAKE A PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF THE FINANCIALLY
RESPONSIBLE COUNTY FOR EACH CHILD. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SEND A COPY OF
THIS NOTICE TO THE FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE COUNTY AND SHALL SEND THE
NOTICE TO THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT.

1 (2) THE COUNTY WHICH WAS INITIALLY DETERMINED TO BE 2 FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE MAY APPEAL THAT DETERMINATION TO THE STATE 3 SUPERINTENDENT.

4 (3) THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT SHALL DECIDE ALL APPEALS WHICH
5 ARE MADE UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND MAKE A FINAL
6 DETERMINATION REGARDING THE FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE COUNTY FOR EACH
7 CHILD IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT.

8 (4) EACH YEAR EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL PROVIDE THE STATE
9 SUPERINTENDENT THE DATA NECESSARY TO COMPUTE THE LOCAL CURRENT
10 EXPENSE PER STUDENT UNDER THIS SECTION.

(5) IF A FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE COUNTY FAILS TO MAKE THE
 REQUIRED PAYMENT TO THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THE STATE
 SUPERINTENDENT SHALL DEDUCT FROM THE NEXT PAYMENT OF STATE AID TO THE
 FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE COUNTY AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT OWED
 UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH AND SHALL PAY THOSE FUNDS TO THE EDUCATION
 DEPARTMENT.

17 5-111.

18 EACH YEAR THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE
19 STATE SUPERINTENDENT, THE GOVERNOR, AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE
20 EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES OF EACH CHILD IN THE CUSTODY OF THE DEPARTMENT.

21 5-112.

22 THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT 23 THIS TITLE.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect

25 June 1, 2004.