

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 552

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with the second “of” in line 2 down through “Maryland” in line 3 and substitute “Process - Members”; strike in their entirety lines 4 through 9, inclusive, and substitute:

“FOR the purpose of altering the appointment process for members of the Baltimore County School Board to require that the Governor select a member from a list of nominees submitted by the School Board Nominating Convention of Baltimore County; establishing and providing the purpose of the School Board Nominating Convention of Baltimore County; requiring that a certain list of nominees contain a certain number of names; specifying that members of the County Board be residents of the County; and generally relating to the appointment process for members of the Baltimore County Board of Education.”;

in line 12, strike “3-108” and substitute “3-109”; and strike in their entirety lines 15 through 20, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 23, insert:

“3-109.

(a) The Baltimore County Board consists of 12 members, EACH OF WHOM SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF THE COUNTY, who shall be appointed as follows:

(1) Four from the county at large;

(2) One from each of the seven councilmanic districts in Baltimore County; and

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(3) One student member from the county at large.

(B) (1) (I) THERE IS A SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION IN BALTIMORE COUNTY.

(II) THE PURPOSE OF THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION IS TO RECOMMEND TO THE GOVERNOR QUALIFIED CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE SCHOOL BOARD.

(2) (I) EXCEPT FOR THE STUDENT MEMBER AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A MEMBER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD FROM A LIST OF NOMINEES SUBMITTED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION IN BALTIMORE COUNTY.

(II) FOR EACH NOMINATION TO THE COUNTY BOARD, THE SCHOOL BOARD NOMINATING CONVENTION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE GOVERNOR A LIST OF NOMINEES THAT CONTAINS:

1. THREE NAMES; OR

2. IF THERE ARE FEWER THAN THREE APPLICANTS, THE NUMBER OF NAMES THAT IS EQUAL TO THE NUMBER OF APPLICANTS.

[(b)] (C) (1) The student member shall:

(i) Be an eleventh or twelfth grade student in the Baltimore County public school system;

(ii) Serve for 1 year; and

(iii) Advise the Board on the thoughts and feelings of students.

(2) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the County Board, the student member may not attend an executive session that relates to:

(i) Hearings on appeals of special education placements;

(ii) Hearings held under § 6-202(a) of this article; or

(iii) Collective bargaining.

(3) As provided in paragraph (4) of this subsection, the student member may vote on all matters except those relating to:

(i) § 6-202(a) of this article;

(ii) Collective bargaining;

(iii) Capital and operating budgets; and

(iv) School closings, reopenings, and boundaries.

(4) On a majority vote of the nonstudent members, the Board may determine, on a case by case basis, whether a matter under consideration is covered by the exclusionary provisions listed in paragraph (3) of this subsection.

[(c)] (D) A Board member who does not maintain his residential qualification shall be replaced as a member.

[(d)] (E) If the boundary line of a councilmanic district is changed, the term of an incumbent member of the County Board who no longer resides in the councilmanic district because of the change is not affected during this term.

[(e)] (F) There is a School Shared Space Council in Baltimore County consisting of 12 employees of the county appointed by the County Executive for a term coterminous with that of the Board as follows:

(1) Two from the staff of the County Board of Education;

(2) Two from the County Executive's administrative staff, one of whom shall be

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the Director of Central Services;

(3) One from the Department of Social Services;

(4) One from the Department of Recreation and Parks;

(5) One from the Department of Aging;

(6) One from the Health Department;

(7) One from the county community colleges, subject to the following conditions:

(i) Representation shall be determined on a rotating basis by alphabetical order by community college name; and

(ii) Each such member shall serve for 1 year;

(8) One from the Department of Juvenile Services;

(9) One from the county public libraries; and

(10) One from the Department of Planning.

[(f)] (G) A county employee Council member who does not maintain his employment in the county shall be replaced.

[(g)] (H) In addition to the county employee members, there shall be eight county citizens selected as members of the Council as follows and with the following duties:

(1) The county citizen members shall be selected by the County Executive. One member shall be selected from each legislative district of Baltimore County with the approval of the State Senator from that district. Each legislative district representative shall reside in that district;

(2) The initial members selected to represent legislative districts 5, 7, 9, and 11

shall each serve for a 2-year term beginning June 1, 1979, and ending May 31, 1981. Thereafter all members shall be selected to serve 2-year terms. The initial members selected to represent legislative districts 8, 10, 12, and 13 shall each serve for a 1-year term beginning June 1, 1979, and ending May 31, 1980, and thereafter all members shall be selected for 2-year terms;

(3) A citizen member shall be entitled to attend and vote at a Council session where an issue before the Council concerns the school or schools in the citizen member's respective district; and

(4) When the Council meets to consider countywide issues, all selected citizen members shall be entitled to attend such sessions and vote.

[(h)] (I) The Council shall:

(1) Meet as needed to compile the number of spaces in the public schools of the county that are not filled and to evaluate the feasibility of the utilization of the spaces by the community and county departments; and

(2) Report its findings and recommendations to the County Board of Education and the County Executive at least twice during the school year.

[(i)] (J) The County Executive may, by executive order, appoint up to two additional members to the Council from agencies of the county government.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On pages 1 through 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 24 on page 1 through line 24 on page 4, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, in line 25, strike “4.” and substitute “2.”; and in lines 25 and 26, strike “, subject to the provisions of Section 3 of this Act.”.