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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1605  
Ways and Means

(Delegate O'Donnell, *et al.*)

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Calvert County Board of Education - Elected Members - Health Insurance  
Coverage

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This bill specifies that an elected member of the Calvert County Board of Education is entitled to health insurance benefits regularly provided to Board of Education employees under the same terms and conditions.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2006.

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Fiscal Summary

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Calvert County Board of Education expenditures could increase by approximately \$38,000 annually to provide health insurance benefits to five elected officials. **This bill imposes a mandate on a unit of local government.**

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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Analysis

**Current Law:** Elected members of the board are not entitled to health insurance benefits.

**Local Fiscal Effect:** Calvert County Board of Education expenditures could increase by approximately \$38,000 annually to provide health insurance benefits to five elected officials. The county board offers a variety of health plans from which to choose, and

cost and subsidy rate varies by plan and family composition. On average, a health insurance policy would cost approximately \$7,600 per elected member.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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