

SENATE BILL 322

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By: **Senator Astle**

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2007

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Retirees of a County Board of Education – Health Benefits**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain county boards of education to provide certain
4 health benefits to certain retired employees; requiring certain county boards to
5 develop and implement certain plans in consultation with certain associations;
6 authorizing a county board of education to establish different cost-sharing
7 ratios for certain individuals; and generally relating to health benefits for
8 retired principals, teachers, and other certificated and noncertificated
9 employees of a county board of education.

10 BY adding to

11 Article – Education
12 Section 4–103.1
13 Annotated Code of Maryland
14 (2006 Replacement Volume)

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

17 **Article – Education**

18 **4–103.1.**

19 **(A) A COUNTY BOARD SHALL PROVIDE HEALTH BENEFITS TO RETIRED**
20 **PRINCIPALS, TEACHERS, AND OTHER CERTIFICATED AND NONCERTIFICATED**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (B) OF**
2 **THIS SECTION.**

3 **(B) (1) IN CONSULTATION WITH A COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR**
4 **RETIREES OF THE COUNTY BOARD, A COUNTY BOARD SHALL DEVELOP AND**
5 **IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO PROVIDE MEDICAL, DENTAL, VISION, AND**
6 **PRESCRIPTION BENEFITS TO THE INDIVIDUALS QUALIFIED UNDER SUBSECTION**
7 **(A) OF THIS SECTION IF IT HAS A PLAN TO PROVIDE THOSE HEALTH BENEFITS**
8 **TO CURRENT PRINCIPALS, TEACHERS, AND OTHER CERTIFICATED AND**
9 **NONCERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNTY BOARD.**

10 **(2) THE COUNTY BOARD MAY ESTABLISH DIFFERENT**
11 **COST-SHARING RATIOS FOR RETIREES AND FOR CURRENT EMPLOYEES.**

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
13 October 1, 2007.