

HOUSE BILL 518

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By: ~~Delegate Love~~ Anne Arundel County Delegation

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County – State Matching Stipends – National Certification**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to include in each year’s operating budget
4 funding for a certain stipend for certain teachers and nonadministrative
5 school-based employees who hold certain certificates and who are employed by
6 the Anne Arundel County Board of Education; and generally relating to State
7 matching stipends for qualified teachers and employees in Anne Arundel
8 County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Education
11 Section 6–306
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Education**

17 6–306.

18 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (2) “County grant for national certification” means an annual grant
2 distributed to a teacher certified by the National Board for Professional Teaching
3 Standards established:

4 (i) Outside of the collective bargaining process; or

5 (ii) As part of a collective bargaining agreement with the local
6 employee organization.

7 (3) “School-based employee” means a certificated employee who works
8 directly with students or teachers at a public school.

9 (b) (1) For fiscal year 2000 and each subsequent fiscal year, the Governor
10 shall include in each year’s operating budget funding for the stipends and bonuses
11 provided in this subsection.

12 (2) (I) A classroom teacher or other nonadministrative
13 school-based employee who holds a standard professional certificate or an advanced
14 professional certificate who is employed by a county board and who holds a certificate
15 issued by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards shall receive a
16 stipend from the State in an amount equal to the county grant for national
17 certification, up to a maximum of \$2,000 per qualified individual.

18 (II) A CLASSROOM TEACHER OR OTHER
19 NONADMINISTRATIVE SCHOOL-BASED EMPLOYEE WHO IS EMPLOYED BY THE
20 ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION AND HOLDS A CERTIFICATE
21 ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS
22 SHALL ALSO RECEIVE A “S.T.E.M. STIPEND” FROM THE STATE IN AN AMOUNT
23 EQUAL TO ONE-THIRD OF THE “S.T.E.M. STIPEND” PROVIDED BY ANNE
24 ARUNDEL COUNTY, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF \$500 PER QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL, IF
25 THE TEACHER OR EMPLOYEE ALSO HOLDS A STANDARD PROFESSIONAL
26 CERTIFICATE OR AN ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE IN:

27 1. EARLY ADOLESCENCE/MATHEMATICS;

28 2. ADOLESCENCE AND YOUNG
29 ADULTHOOD/MATHEMATICS;

30 3. EARLY ADOLESCENCE/SCIENCE;

31 4. ADOLESCENCE AND YOUNG
32 ADULTHOOD/SCIENCE; OR

33 5. EARLY ADOLESCENCE THROUGH YOUNG
34 ADULTHOOD/CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

1 (3) (i) An individual who graduates from an accredited institution
2 of higher education with a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale or its
3 equivalent, becomes employed by a county board, and remains employed as a
4 classroom teacher in the public school system for a minimum of 3 consecutive years
5 shall receive a salary signing bonus of \$1,000.

6 (ii) If the individual leaves employment with the public school
7 system before the end of the 3-year commitment, the individual shall reimburse the
8 State in the amount of \$1,000.

9 (4) A classroom teacher who holds an advanced professional certificate
10 and teaches in a public school identified by the State Board as a school in corrective
11 action, a school in restructuring, or a challenge school shall receive a stipend from the
12 State in the amount of \$2,000 for each year that the teacher performs satisfactorily in
13 the classroom.

14 (c) An individual who receives a stipend or bonus under subsection (b) of this
15 section may not be deemed an employee of the State.

16 (d) The employer of an individual who receives a stipend or bonus under
17 subsection (b) of this section shall pay the increase in fringe benefit costs associated
18 with the stipend or bonus.

19 (e) The Department shall act as fiscal agent for funds disbursed under this
20 section.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
22 October 1, 2008.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.