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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 963

(Carroll County Delegation)

Ways and Means

Education, Health, and Environmental  
Affairs

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Carroll County - Board of Education - Compensation

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This bill increases by \$1,500 the compensation for members of the Carroll County Board of Education. The board chairman's compensation increases from \$6,000 to \$7,500 and compensation for the other four members increases from \$5,000 to \$6,500. Pursuant to the Maryland Constitution, the increases do not take effect until the next term of office.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2008.

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Fiscal Summary

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** Carroll County Board of Education expenditures would increase by \$3,000 in FY 2009 and by \$7,500 in FY 2011 and thereafter, which accounts for the staggered terms of county school board members.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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Analysis

**Current Law:** The Carroll County Board of Education consists of five members elected to staggered four-year terms.

**Background:** Information on compensation for board of education members is provided in **Exhibit 1**. As the exhibit shows, board of education members in 21 of the 24 local

school systems receive compensation for their service. The three jurisdictions that do not provide compensation are Anne Arundel and Baltimore counties and Baltimore City. Among those that offer compensation, the amounts paid to board chairs/presidents range from a high of \$22,500 in Montgomery County to a low of \$2,400 in Kent County. Compensation for other board members ranges from a high of \$18,500 in Montgomery County to a low of \$2,000 in Kent County.

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**Exhibit 1**  
**County Board of Education Compensation in Maryland**

	<u>Board Chair/President</u>	<u>Other Board Members</u>
Allegany	\$5,000	\$5,000
Anne Arundel	None	None
Baltimore City	None	None
Baltimore County	None	None
Calvert	\$6,500	\$5,500
Caroline	\$3,500	\$3,000
Carroll	\$6,000	\$5,000
Cecil	\$4,000	\$3,500
Charles	\$5,000	\$4,000
Dorchester	\$3,600	\$3,200
Frederick	\$11,000	\$10,000
Garrett	\$4,000	\$4,000
Harford	\$3,600	\$3,600
Howard	\$14,000	\$12,000
Kent	\$2,400	\$2,000
Montgomery	\$22,500	\$18,500
Prince George's	\$19,000	\$18,000
Queen Anne's	\$4,000	\$3,500
St. Mary's	\$7,000	\$6,000
Somerset	\$3,000	\$2,700
Talbot	\$3,600	\$3,200
Washington	\$5,600	\$5,500
Wicomico	\$4,000	\$3,700
Worcester	\$3,600	\$3,200

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**Local Expenditures:** Terms for two members of the Carroll County Board of Education expire in 2008, so increased compensation for those members would take effect

following the November 2008 general election. Terms for the remaining three members expire in 2010, so increased compensation for those three members would take effect following the November 2010 general election. The total annualized increase for Carroll County by fiscal 2011 would be \$7,500.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

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