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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 577	(Carroll County Delegation)	
Ways and Means		Finance

Carroll County - Education - Organization of Teachers and Other Personnel

This bill includes registered nurses employed by the Carroll County public school system in one of the county's collective bargaining units established for certificated school employees.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2009.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: The change will not affect Carroll County finances.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: In Maryland, certificated and noncertificated school employees generally bargain separately. In some counties, specific categories of noncertificated professionals are included with certificated employees for bargaining purposes. For example, local employee organizations for certificated school personnel represent school nurses in Baltimore County; eligible substitute teachers in Montgomery County; home and hospital workers in Montgomery and Prince George's counties; school social workers in Frederick County; and the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps instructors in Charles, Garrett, and Prince George's counties. Noncertificated supervisory employees in Baltimore County share bargaining with certificated employees and Chapter 196 of 2007 included noncertificated supervisory employees of the Carroll County public school

system in one of the county's collective bargaining units established for certificated school employees.

Local Fiscal Effect: Carroll County advises that the bill codifies current practice; approximately 20 registered nurses are already represented by one of the two collective bargaining units established for certificated school employees. Further, Carroll County reports that the salary schedule for registered nurses is approximately the same as the salary schedule for other positions in the unit. Therefore, the bill will not have a fiscal impact on the county or the local board of education.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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