

# SENATE BILL 75

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By: **Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee (By Request – Departmental – Education)**

Requested: October 15, 2009

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Nonpublic School Employees – Criminal Convictions**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education, instead of the State  
4 Department of Education, to revoke the certificate of approval or letter of  
5 tentative approval of a nonpublic school that is in violation of certain provisions  
6 of law relating to the employment of certain employees who have been convicted  
7 of certain crimes; and generally relating to nonpublic schools.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article – Education  
10 Section 2–206.1  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Education**

16 2–206.1.

17 (a) A nonpublic school that is subject to the requirements of this title may  
18 not hire or retain any employee who works with or has access to students and who the  
19 school knows has been convicted of a crime involving:

20 (1) An offense under § 3–307 of the Criminal Law Article;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1                   (2)     Child sexual abuse under § 3–602 of the Criminal Law Article, or  
2 an offense under the laws of another state that would constitute child sexual abuse  
3 under § 3–602 of the Criminal Law Article if committed in this State; or

4                   (3)     A crime of violence as defined in § 14–101 of the Criminal Law  
5 Article, or an offense under the laws of another state that would be a violation of  
6 § 14–101 of the Criminal Law Article if committed in this State.

7                   (b)     The [Department] **STATE BOARD** shall revoke the certificate of approval  
8 or letter of tentative approval of a nonpublic school that violates this section.

9                   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
10 October 1, 2010.