

SENATE BILL 161

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By: **Senators Simonaire and Reilly**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Anne Arundel County Public Schools – Office Discipline Referrals –**
3 **Accountability Policy**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Anne Arundel County Board of Education to develop
5 a certain policy for accounting for certain office discipline referrals submitted in
6 certain schools on or before a certain date; requiring a certain policy to include
7 certain information; requiring the county board to implement a certain policy in
8 certain public schools in a certain school year; requiring the county board to
9 submit a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date;
10 defining a certain term; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally
11 relating to an accountability policy by the Anne Arundel County Board of
12 Education for office discipline referrals.

13 BY adding to

14 Article – Education

15 Section 7–311

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

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

20 **Article – Education**

21 **7–311.**

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 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRAL" MEANS A
2 SCHOOL FORM THAT REFERS A STUDENT TO THE SCHOOL'S ADMINISTRATIVE
3 OFFICE TO ACT ON A DISCIPLINARY MATTER.

4 (B) (1) ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31, 2011, THE ANNE ARUNDEL
5 COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL DEVELOP A POLICY FOR ACCOUNTING
6 FOR ALL OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRALS SUBMITTED IN SCHOOLS WITHIN THE
7 JURISDICTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD.

8 (2) THE ACCOUNTABILITY POLICY DEVELOPED UNDER
9 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE:

10 (I) A SYSTEM FOR ASSIGNING EACH OFFICE DISCIPLINE
11 REFERRAL A UNIQUE NUMBER; AND

12 (II) A METHOD FOR PROVIDING A COPY OF THE NUMBERED
13 OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRAL TO THE INDIVIDUAL SUBMITTING THE OFFICE
14 DISCIPLINE REFERRAL AT THE TIME IT IS SUBMITTED.

15 (C) THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL IMPLEMENT THE POLICY DEVELOPED
16 UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION IN ALL SCHOOLS UNDER THE
17 JURISDICTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD IN THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR.

18 (D) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2013, THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL
19 SUBMIT A REPORT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE
20 GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE
21 IMPLEMENTATION AND STATUS OF THE OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRAL
22 ACCOUNTABILITY POLICY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
24 July 1, 2010. It shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of June 30,
25 2014, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be
26 abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.