SENATE BILL 836

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By: Senators Lenett, Frosh, Garagiola, King, Madaleno, Pugh, and Raskin Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2010 Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Education - Students Arrested for Reportable Offenses - Prohibition Against Attending School with Victim

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing a local school superintendent and a school principal to $\mathbf{5}$ prohibit a student who is arrested for a reportable offense from attending the 6 same school or riding on the same school bus as the alleged victim under certain $\mathbf{7}$ circumstances; prohibiting a student who is convicted of or adjudicated 8 delinquent for a reportable offense involving rape or a sexual offense from 9 attending the same school or riding on the same school bus as the alleged victim; and generally relating to the protection of students who are victims of 10 11 reportable offenses.

- 12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 13 Article Education
- 14 Section 7–303(g)
- 15 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 16 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)
- 17 BY adding to
- 18 Article Education
- 19 Section 7–303(g)
- 20 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 21 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

22 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 23 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

- 24 Article Education
- $25 \quad 7-303.$

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (G) (1) **EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS** $\mathbf{2}$ SUBSECTION, THE LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT AND THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL MAY 3 PROHIBIT A STUDENT WHO IS ARRESTED FOR A REPORTABLE OFFENSE FROM 4 ATTENDING THE SAME SCHOOL OR RIDING ON THE SAME SCHOOL BUS AS THE $\mathbf{5}$ ALLEGED VICTIM OF THE REPORTABLE OFFENSE IF SUCH ACTION IS NECESSARY 6 OR APPROPRIATE TO **PROTECT THE** PHYSICAL OR **PSYCHOLOGICAL** 7WELL-BEING OF THE ALLEGED VICTIM.

8 (2) IF A STUDENT IS ARRESTED FOR A REPORTABLE OFFENSE 9 INVOLVING RAPE OR A SEXUAL OFFENSE AND IS CONVICTED OF OR 10 ADJUDICATED DELINQUENT FOR THE RAPE OR SEXUAL OFFENSE, THE STUDENT 11 MAY NOT ATTEND THE SAME SCHOOL OR RIDE ON THE SAME SCHOOL BUS AS 12 THE ALLEGED VICTIM.

13 [(g)] (H) Nothing in this section is intended to limit the manner in which a 14 local school obtains information or uses information obtained by any lawful means 15 other than that set forth in subsections (b), (c), and (e) of this section.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect17 October 1, 2010.