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House Bill 1175
Ways and Means

(Kent County Delegation)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Kent County Board of Education - Members - Terms and Vacancies

This bill shortens the terms of the members of the Kent County Board of Education from six years to four years and provides for continued staggering of members' terms. In addition, the bill requires the county commissioners to appoint a qualified individual to fill any vacancy on the board. Members of the Kent County Board of Education who hold office on July 1, 2010, remain in office until successors are elected and qualify.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2010.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Kent County finances are not affected by the changes.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: The Kent County Board of Education consists of five members who serve staggered six-year terms and are elected from the county at large. A vacancy occurring before the filing deadline for candidates held in the fourth year of the term of a member must be filled by election at the next following general election. The Governor must appoint a qualified individual to fill a vacancy occurring after that period or until a vacancy is filled by election.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: SB 635 (Senator Pipkin) - Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs.

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