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**FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE**

House Bill 568  
Ways and Means

(Prince George's County Delegation)

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**Prince George's County - Board of Education - Member Candidacy for Other  
Public Office  
PG 425-10**

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This bill repeals a prohibition on a member of the Prince George's County Board of Education from being a candidate for another public office while serving on the board.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2010, the effective date of Chapters 348 and 349 of 2008. If the effective date of Chapters 348 and 349 is amended, this bill takes effect on the amended date.

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**Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** None.

**Local Effect:** None. Allowing a member of the Prince George's County Board of Education to be a candidate for another public office does not affect local finances.

**Small Business Effect:** None.

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**Analysis**

**Current Law/Background:** While serving on the Prince George's County Board of Education, a member may not be a candidate for another public office.

The board consists of nine elected members and one student member. Four of the elected members may reside anywhere in the county, and the remaining five must each live in a different school board district. Provisions of Chapters 348 and 349 of 2008, which

requires that each of the nine members of the Prince George's County Board of Education be elected from one of nine separate school board districts at the 2010 general election, take effect July 1, 2010.

Each candidate for the Prince George's County Board of Education must be a registered voter and a resident of the school board district he or she intends to represent. Board members are elected by the registered voters of each school board district and serve four-year terms, except that the five members with the lowest vote total in the 2010 general election will serve two-year terms.

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### **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** None.

**Information Source(s):** Maryland State Department of Education, State Ethics Commission, Prince George's County, Department of Legislative Services

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