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Senate Bill 78 (Senator Simonaire)

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Ways and Means

Anne Arundel County Board of Education - Member Reappointment and Terms

This bill specifies that a member of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education must be appointed by the Governor from a list of nominees submitted by the School Board Nominating Commission, subject to election by the registered voters of the county at the general election following the member's nomination and appointment, regardless of whether that member is serving a first or second term. The bill preserves the prohibition against serving more than two consecutive terms.

The bill takes effect July 1, 2011.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None.

Local Effect: Anne Arundel County finances are not affected.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 454 of 2007 added one member to the Anne Arundel County Board of Education and established a School Board Nominating Commission of Anne Arundel County to select nominees from whom the Governor must choose appointments to the county board of education.

The School Board Nominating Commission consists of 11 members, appointed as follows:

- five by the Governor, one from each legislative district in the county;
- one from the county at large by the county executive;
- one by the Teachers' Association of Anne Arundel County;
- one by the Annapolis and Anne Arundel County Chamber of Commerce;
- one by the Anne Arundel County Council of Parent Teacher Associations;
- one by the Anne Arundel County Community College Board of Trustees; and
- one by the Association of Educational Leaders.

The Anne Arundel County Board of Education consists of nine members, of whom three members are appointed from the county at large, five members are appointed from each of the five legislative districts in the county, and one is a student member.

Following the initial appointment of a board member by the Governor, a member may continue to serve for the remainder of the member's first term subject to the approval or rejection of the registered voters of the county at the next general election. A board member may serve for a second consecutive term subject to the approval or rejection by the registered voters of the county at the next general election.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 220 (Delegates McConkey and Schuh) - Ways and Means.

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