

# HOUSE BILL 1079

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By: **Delegate Bates**

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Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Department of Education – Virtual Learning Opportunities – Survey**  
3 **and Report**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education to conduct a survey  
5 of the county boards of education to make a certain determination about the use  
6 of virtual learning opportunities for students; requiring the Department to  
7 submit a certain report to the General Assembly on or before a certain date;  
8 requiring the Department to develop and adopt certain guidelines and policies  
9 regarding the utilization of certain virtual learning opportunities; and generally  
10 relating to a survey and report of virtual learning opportunities by the State  
11 Department of Education.

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
13 MARYLAND, That:

14 (a) The State Department of Education shall conduct a survey of the county  
15 boards of education to determine each local school system's current use of virtual  
16 learning opportunities for students in the county.

17 (b) On or before December 1, 2012, the State Department of Education shall  
18 report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government  
19 Article, on the current utilization of virtual learning opportunities for students across  
20 the State.

21 (c) Using the results of the survey required under subsection (a) of this  
22 section, the State Department of Education shall develop and adopt guidelines and  
23 policies that enhance the utilization of virtual learning opportunities for all students  
24 in the State.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
2    July 1, 2012.