# Chapter 437

# (House Bill 1017)

# AN ACT concerning

# Prince George's County - Board of Education - Elected Member Vacancy - Approval of Appointment

#### PG 422-14

FOR the purpose of requiring the County Executive of Prince George's County to transmit to the clerk of the Prince George's County Council the name of a certain appointee to fill a certain vacancy on the Prince George's County Board of Education; altering a provision relating to County Council rejection of a certain appointment to establish that, if the County Council does not disapprove the appointment within a certain time period, the appointment shall be considered approved; and generally relating to the membership of the Prince George's County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Education

Section 3–1002(a)(1) and (3) and (h)(1) and (2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

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BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 3-1002(h)(6)

Annotated Code of Maryland

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

### **Article - Education**

3-1002.

- (a) (1) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (3) "Elected member" means a member of the Prince George's County Board elected from one of the nine school board districts described in § 3–1001 of this subtitle.

- (h) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, an elected member serves for a term of 4 years beginning on the first Monday in December after the member's election and until the member's successor is elected and qualifies.
  - (2) The terms of the elected members are staggered as follows:
- (i) The five elected members who received the lowest percentage of votes, as determined by the final vote count of the 2010 General Election as certified by the Board of Elections, shall serve for a term of 2 years; and
- (ii) The other four members elected in the 2010 General Election shall serve for a term of 4 years.
- (6) (i) Subject to subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, if a seat held by an elected member of the county board becomes vacant, the County Executive shall [appoint]:
- 1. APPOINT a qualified individual to fill the seat for the remainder of the term; AND
- 2. TRANSMIT THE NAME OF THE APPOINTEE TO THE CLERK OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.
- (ii) [The] IF THE County Council [shall require] DOES NOT DISAPPROVE AN APPOINTMENT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH BY a two-thirds vote of all members of the County Council [to reject an appointment under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph] WITHIN 30 45 DAYS AFTER THE TRANSMITTAL OF THE NAME OF THE APPOINTEE, THE APPOINTMENT SHALL BE CONSIDERED APPROVED.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2014.

Approved by the Governor, May 5, 2014.