

SENATE BILL 489

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CF HB 383

By: **Senators King, Kagan, Lee, Manno, Montgomery, and Raskin**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Sexual Abuse and Assault Awareness and Prevention Program –**
3 **Development and Implementation**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Education and certain nonpublic schools
5 to develop and implement a certain program relating to sexual abuse and assault
6 awareness and prevention; defining a certain term; and generally relating to sexual
7 abuse and assault awareness and prevention programs in public and nonpublic
8 schools in the State.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Education

11 Section 7–437

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Education**

17 **7–437.**

18 (A) IN THIS SECTION, “NONPUBLIC SCHOOL” MEANS A NONCOLLEGIATE
19 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION THAT HOLDS A CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL FROM THE
20 STATE BOARD UNDER § 2–206(E) OF THIS ARTICLE.

21 (B) (1) THE STATE BOARD AND EACH NONPUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE STATE
22 SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM OF AGE-APPROPRIATE EDUCATION
23 ON SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(2) THE PROGRAM REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS**
2 **SUBSECTION SHALL BE TAUGHT BY TEACHERS WHO ARE TRAINED TO PROVIDE**
3 **INSTRUCTION ON SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION.**

4 **(C) THE STATE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE**
5 **PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
7 1, 2015.