

HOUSE BILL 72

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HB 383/15 – W&M

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By: **Delegates Luedtke, M. Washington, Ebersole, Hixson, and Kaiser**

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CHAPTER _____

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 the awareness and
6 prevention of sexual abuse and assault; requiring a certain program to be
7 incorporated into the health curriculum of each county board of education and each
8 nonpublic school; defining a certain term; and generally relating to sexual abuse and
9 assault awareness and prevention programs in public and nonpublic schools in the
10 State.

11 BY adding to
12 Article – Education
13 Section 7–438
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Education**

19 **7–438.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "NONPUBLIC SCHOOL" MEANS A NONCOLLEGIATE
2 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION THAT:

3 (1) HOLDS A CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL FROM THE STATE BOARD
4 UNDER § 2-206(E) OF THIS ARTICLE; AND

5 (2) PARTICIPATES IN ~~STATE FUNDED EDUCATION PROGRAMS~~ THE
6 NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS TEXTBOOK AND TECHNOLOGY GRANTS PROGRAM.

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

10 (2) THE PROGRAM REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS
11 SUBSECTION SHALL BE:

12 (I) TAUGHT BY A TEACHER WHO IS TRAINED TO PROVIDE
13 INSTRUCTION ON THE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION OF SEXUAL ABUSE AND
14 ASSAULT; AND

15 (II) INCORPORATED INTO THE HEALTH CURRICULUM OF EACH
16 COUNTY BOARD AND EACH NONPUBLIC SCHOOL.

17 (C) THE STATE BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE
18 PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
20 1, 2016.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.