

HOUSE BILL 1264

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By: **Delegate Conaway**

Introduced and read first time: February 10, 2017

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Dyslexia Education Pilot Program Advisory Board**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Dyslexia Education Pilot Program Advisory Board in
4 the State Department of Education; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing
5 of the Advisory Board; prohibiting a member of the Advisory Board from receiving
6 certain compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of certain expenses;
7 requiring the Advisory Board, in consultation with the Department, to identify a
8 principal investigator for the Program; requiring the Advisory Board, in consultation
9 with the Department, to develop a certain Request for Proposals, select certain
10 partners for the Program, and establish a Pilot Program Implementation Team;
11 requiring the Advisory Board, in consultation with certain entities, to establish a
12 process to select local school systems to participate in the Program and establish a
13 Local Education Agency Team; requiring the Advisory Board, in consultation with a
14 Principal Investigator and the Pilot Program Implementation Team, to implement
15 the Program for a certain period of time; requiring the Advisory Board to report its
16 progress to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain date each
17 year; defining certain terms; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally
18 relating to the Dyslexia Education Pilot Program Advisory Board.

19 BY adding to

20 Article – Education

21 Section 7–10C–01 through 7–10C–05 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10C.
22 Dyslexia Education Pilot Program Advisory Board”

23 Annotated Code of Maryland

24 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

27 **Article – Education**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (VIII) ONE SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER OR INSTRUCTIONAL
2 RESOURCE TEACHER;

3 (IX) ONE GENERAL EDUCATION TEACHER;

4 (X) ONE REPRESENTATIVE OF A NONPUBLIC SCHOOL THAT
5 SERVES STUDENTS WITH DYSLEXIA AND OTHER LEARNING DIFFERENCES; AND

6 (XI) ONE INDIVIDUAL WHO:

7 1. HAS A MASTER'S DEGREE WITH CREDENTIALS THAT
8 DEMONSTRATE THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE IN THE FIELD OF DYSLEXIA, TRAINING
9 IN STRUCTURED LITERACY, AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD OF
10 DYSLEXIA; AND

11 2. IS NOT ASSOCIATED WITH A PUBLIC OR NONPUBLIC
12 PRIMARY OR SECONDARY SCHOOL IN THE STATE.

13 (B) THE GOVERNOR SHALL DESIGNATE THE CHAIR OF THE ADVISORY
14 BOARD.

15 (C) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE STAFF FOR THE ADVISORY BOARD.

16 (D) A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY BOARD:

17 (1) MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION AS A MEMBER OF THE
18 ADVISORY BOARD; BUT

19 (2) IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE
20 STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

21 7-10C-04.

22 A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS THEN SERVING ON THE ADVISORY BOARD IS A
23 QUORUM.

24 7-10C-05.

25 (A) THE ADVISORY BOARD SHALL:

26 (1) IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT, IDENTIFY A
27 PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR FOR THE PILOT PROGRAM WHO:

- 1 1. **A MASTER’S DEGREE IN EDUCATION OR A RELATED**
2 **FIELD;**
- 3 2. **DEMONSTRATED KNOWLEDGE OF AND EXPERIENCE**
4 **TEACHING STRUCTURED LITERACY; AND**
- 5 3. **A MINIMUM OF 5 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD**
6 **OF DYSLEXIA;**
- 7 (II) **ONE SPEECH–LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST;**
- 8 (III) **ONE SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST;**
- 9 (IV) **ONE SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER OR AN INSTRUCTIONAL**
10 **RESOURCE TEACHER;**
- 11 (V) **ONE TEACHER OF ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER**
12 **LANGUAGES;**
- 13 (VI) **ONE READING SPECIALIST;**
- 14 (VII) **ONE SCHOOL BUILDING ADMINISTRATOR;**
- 15 (VIII) **ONE MASTER TEACHER WHO HAS EXPERIENCE TEACHING**
16 **CHILDREN WITH DYSLEXIA AND A STRUCTURED LITERACY APPROACH TO**
17 **INSTRUCTION; AND**
- 18 (IX) **ONE PARENT;**
- 19 (5) **IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT, DETERMINE**
20 **FUNDING FOR THE PILOT PROGRAM; AND**
- 21 (6) **IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR AND THE**
22 **PILOT PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION TEAM, IMPLEMENT THE PILOT PROGRAM FOR**
23 **A 6–YEAR PERIOD.**
- 24 (B) **ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 30 EACH YEAR, THE ADVISORY BOARD**
25 **SHALL REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PILOT**
26 **PROGRAM TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–1246 OF THE STATE**
27 **GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
2 1, 2017. It shall remain effective for a period of 7 years and, at the end of June 30, 2024,
3 with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and
4 of no further force and effect.