

SENATE BILL 361

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation and Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Hunger-Free Schools Act of 2017

3 FOR the purpose of altering a certain definition for certain fiscal years to determine the
4 number of students used to calculate a certain grant for schools that participate in a
5 certain federal program; requiring the superintendent of each local school system to
6 report certain information to the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and
7 generally relating to the compensatory education grant for primary and secondary
8 education.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

10 Article – Education

11 Section 5–207(a)(3)

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

Article – Education

17 5–207.

18 (a) (3) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph,
19 “compensatory education enrollment count” means the number of students eligible for free
20 or reduced price meals for the prior fiscal year.

21 (ii) For fiscal years 2017 [and 2018] THROUGH 2022,
22 “compensatory education enrollment count” means:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before September 1,
23 2017, the superintendent of each local school system shall report to the General Assembly,
24 in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article:

25 (1) for each school in the local school system:

26 (i) the total enrollment:

27 (ii) the enrollment by free and reduced-price meals status;

31 (iv) whether each school is currently participating in the Maryland
32 Meals for Achievement program and the amount of State funds provided under the program
33 in the most recently completed fiscal year:

34 (2) for each school system that is not participating in the community
35 eligibility provision in whole or in part:

(i) a summary of all meetings and public events held to discuss and gather feedback regarding whether the school system, in whole or in part, should elect to participate in the community eligibility provision;

4 (ii) a detailed financial analysis of participating, in whole or in part,
5 in the community eligibility provision;

6 (iii) identified barriers to participating, in whole or in part, in the
7 community eligibility provision, including, if applicable, the cost of overcoming the barrier;
8 and

9 (iv) whether the principal or other appropriate administrator in a
10 school that is eligible to participate in the community eligibility provision recommends that
11 their school participate, including:

24 (ii) for each participating school, based on information provided by
25 the principal or other appropriate administrator:

26 1. the positive and negative impacts of participating;

33 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
34 1, 2017.