

HOUSE BILL 215

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By: **Prince George's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: January 18, 2018

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County – Elementary School – Limit on Class Size**

3 **PG 501–18**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Prince George's County Board of Education to limit the
5 number of students assigned to a classroom teacher of students in kindergarten
6 through grade 3 in the public schools in the county; defining a certain term; and
7 generally relating to a limit on the class size for students in certain grades in the
8 Prince George's County public schools.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Education

11 Section 3–1009

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

15 Article – Education

16 Section 7–119(a)

17 Annotated Code of Maryland

18 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Education**

22 **3–1009.**

23 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “CLASSROOM TEACHER” HAS THE MEANING STATED**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 IN § 7-119 OF THIS ARTICLE.

2 (B) THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH A LIMIT OF NOT MORE THAN 30
3 STUDENTS IN A CLASS FOR A CLASSROOM TEACHER ASSIGNED TO TEACH STUDENTS
4 IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 3 IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTY.

5 7-119.

6 (a) (1) In this section, “classroom teacher” means a teacher who is primarily
7 responsible and accountable for the students in that class.

8 (2) “Classroom teacher” does not include:

9 (i) Curriculum specialists;

10 (ii) Guidance counselors;

11 (iii) Librarians;

12 (iv) Media specialists;

13 (v) Instructional aides;

14 (vi) Attendance personnel;

15 (vii) Health services personnel;

16 (viii) Psychologists;

17 (ix) Social workers;

18 (x) Clerical personnel;

19 (xi) Community college staff; or

20 (xii) Any other individual whose job does not require skill in the field
21 of education and who is not responsible for the day-to-day instruction of the same group
22 of students.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
24 1, 2018.