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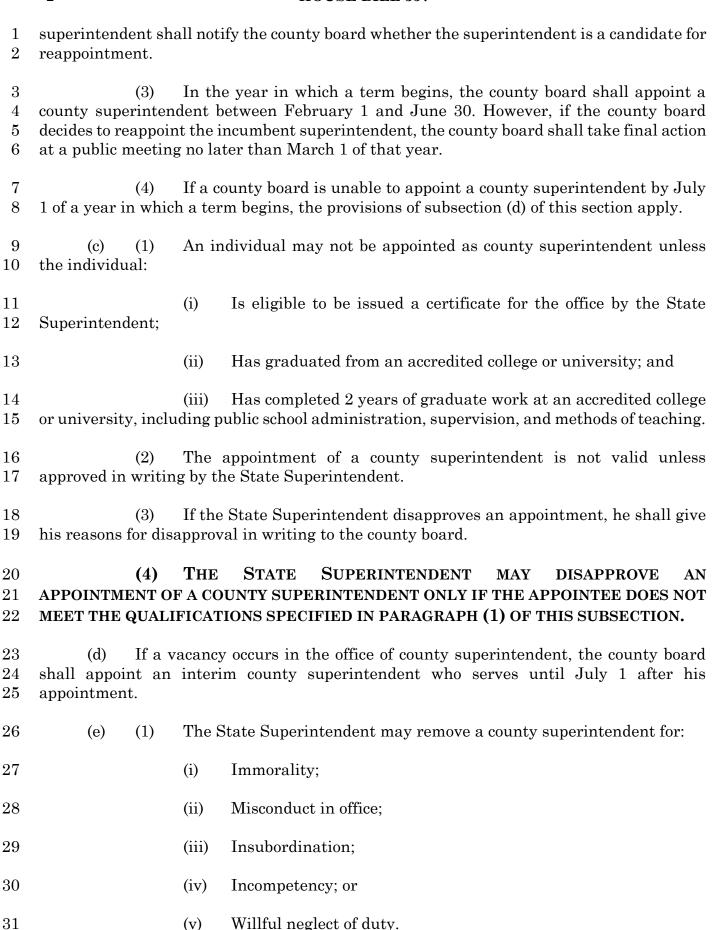
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A BILL ENTITLED

| 1 | AN ACT concerning |
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| 2 3 | Appointment of County Superintendent of Schools – Disapproval by State Superintendent of Schools |
| 4 5 6 7 | FOR the purpose of establishing that the State Superintendent of Schools may disapprove an appointment of a county superintendent of schools only under certain circumstances; and generally relating to appointments of county superintendents of schools. |
| 8 9 10 11 12 | BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Education Section 4–201 Annotated Code of Maryland (2018 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement) |
| 13 14 | SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: |
| 15 | Article - Education |
| 16 | 4–201. |
| 17 | (a) (1) This section does not apply to Baltimore City. |
| 18 19 | (2) Subsections (b), (c), (d), and (f) of this section do not apply in Prince George's County. |
| 20 21 | (b) (1) The term of a county superintendent is 4 years beginning on July 1. A county superintendent continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies. |
| 22 | (2) By February 1 of the year in which a term ends, the county |





- 1 (2) Before removing a county superintendent, the State Superintendent 2 shall send the county superintendent a copy of the charges against the county 3 superintendent and give the county superintendent an opportunity within 10 days to 4 request a hearing.
- 5 (3) If the county superintendent requests a hearing within the 10-day 6 period:
- 7 (i) The State Superintendent promptly shall hold a hearing, but a 8 hearing may not be set within 10 days after the State Superintendent sends the county 9 superintendent a notice of the hearing; and
- 10 (ii) The county superintendent shall have an opportunity to be heard 11 publicly before the State Superintendent in the county superintendent's own defense, in 12 person or by counsel.
- 13 (f) On notification of pending criminal charges against a county superintendent 14 as provided under § 4–206 of this subtitle, the county board may suspend the county 15 superintendent with pay until the final disposition of the criminal charges.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2019.