

SENATE BILL 778

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By: **Senators Waldstreicher, King, and West**

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Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Identification of Students With Traumatic Brain Injury – Study and**
3 **Report**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Department of Health, the State Department
5 of Education, and the State Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Board jointly to study
6 the under-identification of traumatic brain injuries among school-aged children and
7 to recommend a process to identify certain children; requiring the Maryland
8 Department of Health, the State Department of Education, and the State Traumatic
9 Brain Injury Advisory Board to consult with interested stakeholders; requiring the
10 Maryland Department of Health, the State Department of Education, and the State
11 Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Board to report their findings and
12 recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a certain
13 date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the
14 identification of students with traumatic brain injuries.

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
16 That:

17 (a) The Maryland Department of Health, the State Department of Education, and
18 the State Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Board jointly shall:

19 (1) study the under-identification of traumatic brain injuries among
20 school-aged children; and

21 (2) recommend a process to identify children with existing traumatic brain
22 injuries in public schools.

23 (b) In fulfilling the duties required under subsection (a) of this section, the
24 Maryland Department of Health, the State Department of Education, and the State
25 Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Board shall consult with interested stakeholders.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (c) On or before January 1, 2020, the Maryland Department of Health, the State
2 Department of Education, and the State Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Board shall
3 report their findings and recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with
4 § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
6 1, 2019. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 1 month and, at the end of June
7 30, 2020, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be
8 abrogated and of no further force and effect.