A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County – Board of Education – Meeting Requirements and Officers

FOR the purpose of altering the requirements for meetings of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education regarding the conduct of public business; requiring the county board to elect a parliamentarian; and generally relating to the Anne Arundel County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education
Section 3–2A–06 and 3–2A–06.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 3–2A–09
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

Article – Education

3–2A–06.

(A) The affirmative vote of at least five members of the county board is required for the approval of any action.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
(B) The county board may not vote on any action after 10:00 p.m.

3–2A–06.1.

(a) At its annual meeting, the county board shall elect a president [and], vice president, AND PARLIAMENTARIAN from among its elected members.

(b) The president [and], vice president, AND PARLIAMENTARIAN shall serve a term of 1 year.

(c) An individual who fills a vacancy in the office of an elected member of the county board under § 3–2A–04 of this subtitle may be elected to serve as president [or], vice president, OR PARLIAMENTARIAN.

(D) The parliamentarian may consult with a representative from the Anne Arundel County Office of Law to interpret and enforce parliamentary rules as necessary.

3–2A–09.

(A) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, to the extent practicable, the county board shall complete the public portion of each meeting within 6 hours after the start of the meeting.

(2) By an affirmative vote of five members, the county board may vote to suspend the requirement under paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(B) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, if the county board is unable to finish its public business within the time required under subsection (A) of this section, the county board shall convene a meeting on the next business day to conclude the unfinished public business.

(2) The members of the county board may vote to move an item of public business to another regularly scheduled meeting.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022.