

HOUSE BILL 314

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By: **Delegate Novotny**

Introduced and read first time: January 19, 2022

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **County Boards of Education – Voting Members – Requirements**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring, beginning on a certain date, that each county board of
4 education have an odd number of members who are eligible to vote on each matter
5 before the county board; authorizing a county board, under certain circumstances, to
6 select a certain individual in a certain manner to vote on a matter before the county
7 board to comply with a certain requirement; and generally relating to the voting
8 membership of county boards of education.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Education

11 Section 3–106

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Education**

17 **3–106.**

18 **(A) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, BEGINNING**
19 **JANUARY 1, 2025, EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL HAVE AN ODD NUMBER OF MEMBERS**
20 **WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE ON EACH MATTER BEFORE THE COUNTY BOARD.**

21 **(B) IF A COUNTY BOARD LACKS AN ODD NUMBER OF MEMBERS ELIGIBLE TO**
22 **VOTE ON A MATTER BEFORE THE BOARD AND THE MATTER CANNOT BE POSTPONED**
23 **OR RESCHEDULED TO A LATER DATE, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY SELECT AN**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **INDIVIDUAL TO MEET THE REQUIREMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION**
2 **IN A MANNER DETERMINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD.**

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
4 1, 2022.