A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

County Boards of Education – Voting Members – Requirements

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

BY adding to
Article – Education
Section 3–106
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

3–106.

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

(B) IF A COUNTY BOARD LACKS AN ODD NUMBER OF MEMBERS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE ON A MATTER BEFORE THE BOARD AND THE MATTER CANNOT BE POSTPONED OR RESCHEDULED TO A LATER DATE, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY SELECT AN
INDIVIDUAL TO MEET THE REQUIREMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION IN A MANNER DETERMINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD.

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