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1 AN ACT concerning

2 Education – Home and Hospital Teaching Program for Students – Report

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the State Department of Education to study and make
4 recommendations regarding the Home and Hospital Teaching Program for Students
5 and instructional services and transition plans for students in the program; and
6 generally relating to a report on the Home and Hospital Teaching Program for
7 Students.

8 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
9 That:

10 (a) The State Department of Education shall:

11 (1) assess whether students receiving instructional services through the
12 Home and Hospital Teaching Program for Students are provided with adequate support
13 and instructional time to successfully transition back to a classroom setting;

14 (2) analyze whether local school systems have sufficient staffing to
15 coordinate instructional services for the average number of students in the program in a
16 school system;

17 (3) study whether transition plans for students returning to the classroom
18 should be implemented, and if so, whether it would be viable for school counselors to lead
19 and develop the transition plans for the students;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.
Strike-out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by
amendment.
(4) assess whether any transition plans should be reviewed or evaluated by a licensed medical professional before being implemented by the local school system; and

(5) make recommendations regarding any statutory or regulatory changes to the program.

(b) On or before December 31, 2022, the State Department of Education shall submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor, the State Board of Education, and, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2023, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.