

# SENATE BILL 238

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By: **Senator Salling**

Introduced and read first time: January 13, 2022

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Schools – Crossing Guards – Hiring and Budget Allocation**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring each county board of education to require the local school  
4 system to hire school crossing guards for each public school in the county and to  
5 provide sufficient funding for school crossing guards in the county board budget;  
6 requiring the county police department, if the county board is not able to provide  
7 sufficient funding to hire school crossing guards for each public school in the county,  
8 to hire the additional number of school crossing guards necessary to provide school  
9 crossing guards for each public school in the county and to provide sufficient funding  
10 for school crossing guards in the county police department budget; and generally  
11 relating to public school crossing guards.

12 BY adding to

13 Article – Education

14 Section 7–810

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Education**

20 **7–810.**

21 **(A) EACH COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION SHALL:**

22 **(1) REQUIRE THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM TO HIRE SCHOOL**  
23 **CROSSING GUARDS FOR EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY; AND**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1                   **(2) PROVIDE IN THE COUNTY BOARD BUDGET SUFFICIENT FUNDING**  
2 **FOR THE LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEM TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER ITEM (1) OF**  
3 **THIS SUBSECTION.**

4                   **(B) IF A COUNTY BOARD IS NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT FUNDING TO**  
5 **MEET THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE COUNTY**  
6 **POLICE DEPARTMENT SHALL:**

7                   **(1) HIRE THE ADDITIONAL NUMBER OF SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS**  
8 **NECESSARY TO PROVIDE SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS FOR EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL IN**  
9 **THE COUNTY; AND**

10                   **(2) PROVIDE IN THE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT BUDGET**  
11 **SUFFICIENT FUNDING TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER ITEM (1) OF THIS**  
12 **SUBSECTION.**

13                   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
14 1, 2022.