SENATE BILL 436

By: Carroll County Senators
Introduced and read first time: January 26, 2022
Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Board of Education – Member Compensation and Student Representative

FOR the purpose of altering the term of and scholarship for the student representative on the Carroll County Board of Education; altering the compensation for the voting members of the county board; and generally relating to the Carroll County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–401(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 3–401(f) and 3–403
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

3–401.

(a) The Carroll County Board consists of:

(1) Five voting members;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
(2) Subject to subsection (f) of this section, one nonvoting student representative; and

(3) The County Commissioners, who are nonvoting ex officio members.

(f) (1) The student representative shall:

   (i) Be an eleventh or a twelfth grade student in the Carroll County public school system elected by the high school students of the county in accordance with procedures established by the school system;

   (ii) Be a student government association representative at the student’s high school;

   (iii) Serve for 1 year beginning on July 1 after the election of the student representative; and

   (iv) Advise the county board on the thoughts and feelings of students in Carroll County public schools.

(2) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT SERVE MORE THAN ONE TERM AS THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE.

(3) Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the county board, the student representative may not attend an executive session of the county board.

3–403.

(a) The president of the county board is entitled to receive $13,000 annually as compensation and the other voting members are entitled to receive $12,000 each annually as compensation.

(b) The compensation of the president and the voting members described in subsection (a) of this section shall be paid in four equal quarterly installments.

(c) (1) (i) A student representative who completes a full term on the county board shall be entitled to a scholarship of $3,500 to be applied to the student’s higher education costs.

   (ii) The scholarship shall be paid directly to the educational institution that the student attends.

   (iii) A student may receive not more than two scholarships of $3,500 each regardless of the number of terms the student serves as the student representative of the county board.
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(iv) The scholarship may not be considered compensation for the purpose of calculating taxable income.

(2) On the submission of expense vouchers, the student representative is entitled to reimbursement for travel and other expenses incurred in the performance of official duties for the county board.

(3) The student representative is not entitled to any compensation or payment other than that specified under paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection for work as the student representative of the county board.

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