SENATE BILL 933

By: Senator Hershey
Introduced and read first time: February 11, 2022
Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT concerning

Education – Accountability and Implementation Board – Membership

FOR the purpose of altering the membership and qualifications of members of the Accountability and Implementation Board; requiring the Accountability and Implementation Board Nominating Committee to submit a certain slate of nominees to the Governor on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the membership of the Accountability and Implementation Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–402(a) and (d)(1)(ii)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Education
Section 5–402(d)(1)(i)
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

5–402.

(a) Beginning on July 1, 2020, and continuing until June 30, 2032, there is an Accountability and Implementation Board.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
1. The Board is composed of [seven] 11 members appointed
by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, chosen from a slate prepared
by the Nominating Committee established under § 5–403 of this subtitle.

2. OF THE 11 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

A. ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF WESTERN MARYLAND, WHICH IS THE REGION THAT CONSISTS OF ALLEGANY, CARROLL, FREDERICK, GARRETT, AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES;

B. ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND, WHICH IS THE REGION THAT CONSISTS OF CALVERT, CHARLES, AND ST. MARY’S COUNTIES;

C. ONE MEMBER SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF THE EASTERN SHORE, WHICH IS THE REGION THAT CONSISTS OF CAROLINE, CECIL, DORCHESTER, KENT, QUEEN ANNE’S, SOMERSET, TALBOT, WICOMICO, AND WORCESTER COUNTIES; AND

D. THERE SHALL BE ONE MEMBER FROM EACH OF THE FIVE COUNTIES WITH THE LARGEST STUDENT POPULATIONS IN THE STATE, WHICH ARE ANNE ARUNDEL, BALTIMORE, MONTGOMERY, AND PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTIES AND BALTIMORE CITY.

(ii) When appointing members of the Board, the Governor shall select from the slate of nominees nominated in accordance with § 5–403(c) of this subtitle.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before August 1, 2022, the Accountability and Implementation Board Nominating Committee shall, in accordance with § 5–403 of the Education Article, submit a slate of nominees to the Governor for the following initial four members:

(1) one member who is a resident of Western Maryland;

(2) one member who is a resident of Southern Maryland;

(3) one member who is a resident of the Eastern Shore; and

(4) one member who is a resident of Prince George’s County.

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