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House Bill 512
Ways and Means

(Delegate Guyton)
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board - Composition and
Regulations

This bill alters the composition of the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board (PSTEB) by adding one member of the Maryland Association of Nonpublic Special Education Facilities, as chosen by the Governor from a list of nominees provided by the association, and by reducing from two to one the number of PSTEB members who are administrative or supervisory staff of the approved nonpublic schools of the State, chosen by the Governor from a list of nominees provided by the Association of Independent Schools. The bill also requires the State Board of Education and PSTEB to develop rules and regulations to attract and provide certification to teachers from groups that are historically underrepresented in the teaching profession. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2022.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: The bill does not directly affect State finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: PSTEB is a semi-autonomous board composed of 25 members. PSTEB and the State Board of Education share the authority to develop rules and regulations for the certification of teachers and other professional personnel and requirements for the preparation of teachers and other education personnel, including social workers.

Board Composition

Currently, PSTEB consists of (1) eight public school classroom teachers; (2) one certified nonpublic school classroom teacher; (3) six teacher education faculty members from colleges of the State; (4) four administrative or supervisory staff members of public schools; (5) two administrative or supervisory staff of the approved nonpublic schools of the State; (6) one member of a local board of education; (7) two representatives of the general public; and (8) the State Superintendent or a designee of the State Superintendent.

Appointment Criteria for Board Members

When making appointments as prescribed by Title 6, Subtitle 7 of the Education Article, the Governor must ensure that the board is representative of the State's geographic regions and minority populations, as defined in § 9-301 of the State Government Article.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Designated Cross File: None.

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