

May 27, 2022

The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones
Speaker of the House of Delegates
H-101 State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Madam Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have vetoed House Bill 192 – *Baltimore County Board of Education – Members – Training and Student Member Voting*.

Currently, the constitutionality of Student Members on Boards (SMOBs) is presently being litigated before Maryland's Court of Appeals, so it is premature to expand the authority of SMOBs before the state's high court has determined if the current arrangement of having 11- to 17-year-old voters elect a 16- to 17-year-old to serve on a local board of education is legal.

Given that this question remains pending, I have vetoed House Bill 192.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor