

# HOUSE BILL 535

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Task Force on Educator Housing**

3 FOR the purpose of establishing the Maryland Task Force on Educator Housing to evaluate  
4 and make recommendations on options for addressing the lack of access to attainable  
5 housing for educators in the State; and generally relating to the Maryland Task  
6 Force on Educator Housing.

7 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
8 That:

9 (a) There is a Maryland Task Force on Educator Housing.

10 (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

11 (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of  
12 the Senate;

13 (2) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the  
14 House;

15 (3) the Secretary of Planning, or the Secretary's designee;

16 (4) the Secretary of Housing and Community Development, or the  
17 Secretary's designee;

18 (5) the State Superintendent of Schools, or the State Superintendent's  
19 designee; and

20 (6) the following members, appointed by the Governor:

21 (i) one representative of the Maryland State Education Association;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (ii) one representative of the Maryland Association of Boards of  
2 Education;

3 (iii) one representative of the Maryland Association of Counties;

4 (iv) one representative of the Maryland Municipal League;

5 (v) one representative of the Maryland Building Industry  
6 Association; and

7 (vi) one representative of the Maryland Realtors Association.

8 (c) The Secretary of Housing and Community Development shall chair the Task  
9 Force.

10 (d) The Department Housing and Community Development shall provide staff for  
11 the Task Force.

12 (e) A member of the Task Force:

13 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

14 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard State  
15 Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

16 (f) The Task Force shall:

17 (1) evaluate and make recommendations on options for addressing the lack  
18 of access to attainable housing, including housing rentals and home ownership, for  
19 educators in the State; and

20 (2) evaluate the correlation between the lack of access to attainable  
21 housing and educator shortages in the State.

22 (g) On or before December 1, 2025, the Task Force shall report its findings and  
23 recommendations to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State  
24 Government Article, the General Assembly.

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
26 1, 2024. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of June 30, 2026,  
27 this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and  
28 of no further force and effect.