## **Department of Legislative Services**

Maryland General Assembly 2025 Session

## FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE First Reader

House Bill 402 Ways and Means (Delegate Pruski)

# Anne Arundel County Board of Education - Student Member Scholarship - Increase

This bill increases the scholarship award for a student member of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education who completes a full term from \$8,000 to \$15,000. **The bill takes effect June 1, 2025.** 

### **Fiscal Summary**

State Effect: None.

**Local Effect:** Anne Arundel County expenditures increase by \$7,000 annually beginning in FY 2025. County revenues are not affected.

Small Business Effect: None.

## **Analysis**

**Current Law:** The Anne Arundel County Board of Education consists of seven nonpartisan elected members and one student member. The school board is 1 of 20 elected boards in the State, there are also 4 hybrid boards. The student member of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education generally has the same voting rights and authority to attend executive sessions of the board as a nonstudent member of the board.

The president of the board is entitled to receive \$17,000 annually as compensation, the vice president is entitled to receive \$16,000 annually, and the other nonstudent members of the board are entitled to receive \$15,000 annually. A student member who completes a

full term on the county board must be granted a scholarship of \$8,000, applied toward the student's higher education costs.

**Local Fiscal Effect:** Anne Arundel County expenditures increase by \$7,000 annually beginning in fiscal 2025, as student member scholarships are awarded upon the completion of a full term and the term of the current student member of the board expires June 30, 2025.

#### **Additional Information**

**Recent Prior Introductions:** Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

**Designated Cross File:** SB 307 (Senator Simonaire) - Education, Energy, and the Environment.

**Information Source(s):** Anne Arundel County; Department of Legislative Services

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