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Senate Bill 307 (Senator Simonaire)
Education, Energy, and the Environment

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: HB 402 (Delegate Pruski) - Ways and Means.

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