

**SB0284/743226/1**

BY: Delegate Rose

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 284  
(Third Reading File Bill – Committee Reprint)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, in line 10, after “date;” insert “altering the definition of “full-time equivalent enrollment” in the calculation for State education aid to include the average number of students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12 on certain days of the prior school year; requiring the State Department of Education to publish online and submit a certain report to certain standing committees of the General Assembly;”; and in line 36, after “2–305(b)” insert “, 5–201(a), (e), (f), and (t).”.

On page 3, in line 1, after “2–305(g)” insert “, 5–201(g)”; and after line 4, insert:

“BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 5–244

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2025 Replacement Volume and 2025 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 61, after line 26, insert:

“SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Education

5–201.

(a) In this subtitle, except as otherwise provided, the following words have the meanings indicated.

(e) “Enrollment count” means the greater of:

(1) The full-time equivalent enrollment; or

(2) The 3-year moving average enrollment.

(f) “Foundation program” means the product of the annual per pupil foundation amount and a county’s enrollment count.

(g) “Full-time equivalent enrollment” means the sum of:

(1) The AVERAGE number of students enrolled in kindergarten through grade 12 or their equivalent in regular day school programs on September 30 AND MAY 31 of the prior school year;

(2) The number of full-time equivalent students, as determined by a regulation of the Department, enrolled in evening high school programs during the prior school year; and

(3) The number of P-TECH students, as provided in § 7-1804(b) of this article.

(t) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, “3-year moving average enrollment” means the average of the full-time equivalent enrollment in the 3 prior school years.

(2) If the 3 prior school years includes the 2020-2021 school year, “3-year moving average enrollment” means:

(i) The sum of the full-time equivalent enrollment for the 4 prior school years minus the 2020-2021 school year full-time equivalent enrollment; divided by

(ii) Three.

ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2026, AND EACH DECEMBER 31 THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PUBLISH ON ITS WEBSITE AND SUBMIT TO THE SENATE BUDGET AND TAXATION COMMITTEE AND THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, A REPORT ON:

(1) THE ENROLLMENT COUNT USED TO CALCULATE FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT, DISAGGREGATED BY COUNTY;

(2) THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN EACH COUNTY IN EACH ENROLLMENT CATEGORY, INCLUDING “WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN”;

(3) THE FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT ENROLLMENT NUMBER USED TO CALCULATE FUNDING FOR THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR; AND

(4) EACH COUNTY’S ALLOCATION OF PER PUPIL STATE AND LOCAL EDUCATION FUNDING.”.

On page 63, in lines 13, 18, and 25, strike “5.”, “6.”, and “7.”, respectively, and substitute “6.”, “7.”, and “8.”, respectively.

On page 64, in lines 9 and 24, strike “8.” and “9.”, respectively, and substitute “9.” and “10.”, respectively.

On page 65, in lines 1, 12, 22, 26, 31, 33, and 35, strike “10.”, “11.”, “12.”, “13.”, “14.”, “15.”, and “16.”, respectively, and substitute “11.”, “12.”, “13.”, “14.”, “15.”, “16.”, and “17.”, respectively.

On page 66, after line 2, insert:

“SECTION 18. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 5 of this Act shall take effect July 1, 2026, and shall be applicable to the calculation of education funding for fiscal years beginning after June 30, 2027.”;

in line 5, strike “17.” and substitute “19.”; and in line 6, strike “15 and 16” and substitute “16, 17, and 18”.