

# HOUSE BILL 530

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force on Proactive Review of Audio and Video Recordings on Special**  
3 **Education Buses**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force on Proactive Review of Audio and Video  
5 Recordings on Special Education Buses to study the use of artificial intelligence to  
6 proactively review audio and video recordings from special education buses to ensure  
7 the safety and security of student passengers; and generally relating to the Task  
8 Force on Proactive Review of Audio and Video Recordings on Special Education  
9 Buses.

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
11 That:

12 (a) There is a Task Force on Proactive Review of Audio and Video Recordings on  
13 Special Education Buses.

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

15 (1) two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of  
16 the Senate;

17 (2) two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of  
18 the House;

19 (3) the State Superintendent of Schools, or the State Superintendent's  
20 designee;

21 (4) the Secretary of Commerce, or the Secretary's designee;

22 (5) the Secretary of Labor, or the Secretary's designee;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (6) the Secretary of Information Technology, or the Secretary's designee;

2 (7) the chair of the Special Education State Advisory Committee, or the  
3 chair's designee; and

4 (8) the following members, appointed by the Governor:

5 (i) two representatives of special education advocacy groups in the  
6 State; and

7 (ii) two parents or guardians of special education students enrolled  
8 in a public school in the State.

9 (c) The Governor shall appoint the chair of the Task Force.

10 (d) The State Department of Education shall provide staff for the Task Force.

11 (e) A member of the Task Force:

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

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

15 (f) The Task Force shall:

16 (1) study using artificial intelligence tools to systematically and proactively  
17 review audio and video recordings from special education buses to ensure the safety and  
18 security of each student passenger;

19 (2) identify and analyze policies and procedures in other states or cities  
20 that use artificial intelligence tools to systematically and proactively review audio and  
21 video recordings of various educational settings, including student transportation, to  
22 monitor student safety conditions or identify potential physical abuse, sexual harassment,  
23 or sexual assault of students;

24 (3) study the current availability, quality, effectiveness, and costs of  
25 implementing or improving audio and video recording capabilities on special education  
26 buses in the State;

27 (4) examine existing policies and procedures for identifying, reporting, and  
28 investigating incidents of physical abuse, sexual harassment, sexual assault, bullying or  
29 harassment, or other issues on special education buses in the State;

30 (5) research best practices for the use of audio and video recording on buses  
31 to prevent physical abuse, sexual harassment, sexual assault, bullying or harassment, or  
32 other issues;

1           (6)     analyze challenges, including student privacy issues, related to the use  
2 of audio and video recording on buses and the use of artificial intelligence tools for review;

3           (7)     evaluate the costs of using artificial intelligence tools to review audio  
4 and video recordings on special education buses, including a human review process to  
5 ensure accuracy and effectiveness;

6           (8)     evaluate the costs of implementing audio and video recording on all  
7 special education buses; and

8           (9)     consult with relevant stakeholders, including the Office of Pupil  
9 Transportation and Emergency Management in the State Department of Education, the  
10 Maryland School Bus Contractors Association, labor unions, the Maryland Association of  
11 Pupil Transportation, disability rights organizations, and any other relevant persons.

12         (g)     The Task Force shall make recommendations on:

13           (1)     options for implementing or improving audio and video recording on  
14 special education buses to ensure the safety and security of each student passenger,  
15 including potential costs and funding sources;

16           (2)     the feasibility of using specific artificial intelligence tools for the  
17 systematic and proactive review of audio and video recordings on special education buses,  
18 including potential costs and funding sources; and

19           (3)     a process for notifying school leaders and parents or guardians of  
20 students who may have been the victim of physical abuse, sexual harassment, sexual abuse,  
21 bullying or harassment, or other identified issues.

22         (h)     On or before December 1, 2026, the Task Force shall report its findings and  
23 recommendations to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, the Senate Committee  
24 on Education, Energy, and the Environment, the House Appropriations Committee, the  
25 House Ways and Means Committee, and the General Assembly in accordance with §  
26 2–1257 of the State Government Article.

27         SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
28 1, 2026. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2027, this  
29 Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no  
30 further force and effect.