

SENATE BILL 572

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By: **Charles County Senators**

Introduced and read first time: February 4, 2026

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Charles County – County Inspector General – Authority Over Charles County**
3 **Public Schools**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Charles County to enact a local law
5 granting an inspector general established by the county certain authority over
6 Charles County Public Schools; and generally relating to Charles County and
7 Charles County Public Schools.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Local Government
10 Section 12-906
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2013 Volume and 2025 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
14 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article – Local Government**

16 **12-906.**

17 **(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO CHARLES COUNTY.**

18 **(B) BEGINNING IN 2027, THE GOVERNING BODY OF CHARLES COUNTY MAY,**
19 **BY LOCAL LAW, GRANT TO AN INSPECTOR GENERAL ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNTY**
20 **THE SAME AUTHORITY OVER CHARLES COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT AN**
21 **INSPECTOR GENERAL WOULD HAVE OVER A DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY**
22 **GOVERNMENT.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General
2 Assembly that if the governing body of Charles County adopts a local law to grant an
3 inspector general established by the county authority over Charles County Public Schools
4 under Section 1 of this Act, the local law shall take effect at the beginning of the term
5 following the initial term of the inspector general established by the county.

6 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 October 1, 2026.