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**HB 238 - Allegany County Board of Education - Elected Members –
Filling a Vacancy - SUPPORT**

Dear Colleagues,

This bill would transfer the authority to fill a vacancy on the Allegany Board of Education from the Governor to the Allegany County Board of County Commissioners. The legislation would bring Allegany County's process for filling vacancies on the local Board of Education in line with neighboring Garrett County, and the members of the Allegany County Delegation believe that it would provide for more transparency and more opportunities for local citizens to meaningfully participate in the vacancy appointment process.

I ask for a favorable report on HB 238.