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Senate Bill 325 - Education - Student Data Privacy - Reports and Student Data Privacy Council

This is legislation that has combined two common sense measures to protect student data privacy. Senate bill 325 is identical with the cross-filed house bill and nearly identical with the house bill third reader in 2021.

Like the house bill, the senate bill codifies the findings from the Student Data Privacy Council. I encourage you to view this link to the final <u>Student Data Privacy Council Report</u>. The digital tool reporting requirement was removed from the senate bill, as it was the house bill this year. This reporting requirement provision was supported separately as a stand-alone recommendation from the Maryland Joint Committee on Cybersecurity, Information Technology and Biotechnology.

Please review <u>Howard County's system for digital tools</u> if you are not familiar for background into this provision, but again, it has been removed from this vehicle and the house bill as well.

For these reasons, I respectfully request a favorable committee report on SB 325.

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