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Dear Chairwoman Atterbeary, Vice Chairman Washington, and Members of the Committee:

Only three Counties across the State allow for Governor Appointments for eligible voting members on their local boards of education. They are Baltimore County, Caroline County, and Harford County. All others have moved the appointment process for eligible voting members to the local level.

With this in mind, HB 603 shifts the three Harford County Board of Education (County Board) Governor Appointments from the Governor to one appointment by the Harford County Executive. This appointment is to be approved in a 5-7 vote by the County Council.

For current members on the County Board appointed by the Governor, they will be able to complete their term, ending on June 30, 2023, before the one County Executive appointed member begins their term on July 1, 2023.

At this time, the Harford County Delegation is still conducting deliberations on HB 603. However, the deliberations will be completed before the scheduled hearing on February 17, 2022.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Griffith", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Delegate Mike Griffith
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