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BILL NO.: **HB 210** 

TITLE: Baltimore County - Board of Education - Member Elections

and Appointments

SPONSOR: Delegate Ebersole

COMMITTEE: Ways and Means

POSITION: SUPPORT

DATE: February 8, 2023

Baltimore County **SUPPORTS** House Bill 210 – Baltimore County - Board of Education - Member Elections and Appointments. This legislation would alter the time at which members of the Baltimore County Board of Education are appointed and elected.

Currently, members of the Baltimore County Board of Education are elected in gubernatorial election years, leaving the Board susceptible to appointments by a Governor who will not be serving another term. House Bill 210 adjusts the election and appointment process by requiring elections to be held in gubernatorial election years and appointments to be made in presidential election years. This legislation serves a twofold purpose:

- 1. Appointments will now be made by a Governor who will be serving for at least the subsequent two years.
- 2. Appointments and elections will now be staggered to avoid complete turnover in the Board of Education at once.

Accordingly, Baltimore County requests a **FAVORABLE** report on HB 210. For more information, please contact Jenn Aiosa, Director of Government Affairs at jaiosa@baltimorecountymd.gov.