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House Bill 402
Anne Arundel County Board of Education - Student Member
Scholarship - Increase

House Ways & Means Committee

Position: FAVORABLE

Anne Arundel County **SUPPORTS** House Bill 402 – Anne Arundel County Board of Education - Student Member Scholarship - Increase. This Bill would increase the scholarship award for the student member of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education who completes a full term on the county board from \$8,000 to \$15,000.

Anne Arundel County is one of the many counties in the state with an elected school board, but one of the few where the student member enjoys full voting rights and the ability to attend executive sessions, just as the non-student members do. Currently, board members are entitled to receive \$15,000 annually as compensation for the same work that is performed by the student member. This legislation brings parity to the compensation for the student member and recognizes the hard work and dedication that they put in over the course of their term representing all Anne Arundel County Students by providing them additional financial assistance in pursuing higher education.

Accordingly, Anne Arundel County urges a **FAVORABLE** report on HB 402.