

HOUSE BILL 993

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 5, 2020

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Montgomery County – Board of Education – Compensation**

3 **MC 13–20**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the compensation of the members of the Montgomery County
5 Board of Education; authorizing a student member to elect to receive certain
6 compensation at a certain time; providing for the application of this Act; and
7 generally relating to the compensation of the members of the Montgomery County
8 Board of Education.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
10 Article – Education
11 Section 3–902
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
15 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Education**

17 3–902.

18 (a) An elected member of the county board is entitled to reimbursement for travel
19 and other expenses as provided by the Montgomery County Council.

20 (b) (1) An elected member of the county board is entitled to receive[:

21 (i) \$25,000 annually as compensation; or]

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 ANNUALLY AS COMPENSATION:

- 2 (I) 1. \$25,000, ENDING ON NOVEMBER 30, 2020;
3 2. \$30,000, BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 1, 2020; AND
4 3. \$35,000, BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 1, 2022; OR

5 (ii) An annual salary set through legislation based on the
6 recommendations of the Montgomery County Board of Education Compensation
7 Commission in accordance with Title 28, Subtitle 1A of the Local Government Article.

8 (2) The president of the county board is entitled to receive[:

9 (i) 29,000 annually as compensation; or] ANNUALLY AS
10 COMPENSATION:

- 11 (I) 1. \$29,000, ENDING ON NOVEMBER 30, 2020;
12 2. \$34,000, BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 1, 2020; AND
13 3. \$39,000, BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 1, 2022; OR

14 (ii) An annual salary set through legislation based on the
15 recommendations of the Montgomery County Board of Education Compensation
16 Commission in accordance with Title 28, Subtitle 1A of the Local Government Article.

17 (3) An elected member is entitled to health insurance and to other fringe
18 benefits regularly provided to employees of the board of education under the same terms
19 and conditions extended to other employees of the board of education.

20 (4) A SALARY INCREASE FOR AN ELECTED MEMBER UNDER THIS
21 SUBSECTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT AT THE BEGINNING OF THE TERM OF OFFICE AND
22 MAY NOT INCREASE DURING THE TERM OF OFFICE.

23 (c) (1) The student member [may not receive compensation but, after
24 submitting expense vouchers,] may be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses incurred in
25 connection with official duties.

26 (2) [A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS
27 SUBSECTION, A student member who completes a full term on the county board shall [be
28 granted a scholarship of:

29 (i) \$5,000 to be applied toward the student's higher education costs;
30 or] RECEIVE AS FOLLOWS:

1 [(ii)] (i) A scholarship set through legislation based on the
2 recommendations of the Montgomery County Board of Education Compensation
3 Commission in accordance with Title 28, Subtitle 1A of the Local Government Article; OR

4 (ii) 1. THROUGH THE TERM THAT ENDS IN 2021, A
5 SCHOLARSHIP OF \$5,000 TO BE APPLIED TOWARD THE STUDENT'S HIGHER
6 EDUCATION COSTS;

7 2. BEGINNING WITH THE TERM THAT STARTS IN 2021, A
8 SCHOLARSHIP OF \$15,000 TO BE APPLIED TOWARD THE STUDENT'S HIGHER
9 EDUCATION COSTS AND A ONE-TIME STIPEND OF \$5,000 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF
10 \$20,000; AND

11 3. BEGINNING WITH THE TERM THAT STARTS IN 2023, A
12 SCHOLARSHIP OF \$25,000 TO BE APPLIED TOWARD THE STUDENT'S HIGHER
13 EDUCATION COSTS AND A ONE-TIME STIPEND OF \$10,000 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF
14 \$35,000.

15 (3) BEFORE BEING SWORN IN, THE STUDENT MEMBER MAY ELECT TO
16 RECEIVE A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)
17 OF THIS SUBSECTION AS A SCHOLARSHIP AND THE REMAINING PERCENTAGE AS A
18 STIPEND, PROVIDED THAT THE TOTAL AMOUNT IS NOT RECEIVED SOLELY AS A
19 SCHOLARSHIP OR SOLELY AS A STIPEND.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, § 35
21 of the Maryland Constitution, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary
22 or compensation of the president and members of the Montgomery County Board of
23 Education while serving in a term of office beginning before the effective date of this Act,
24 but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the president and
25 members of the Montgomery County Board of Education shall take effect at the beginning
26 of the next following term of office. This limitation does not apply to an individual appointed
27 or elected after the effective date of this Act to fill out an unexpired term.

28 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
29 1, 2020.