

and Term of Office

FOR the purpose of clarifying the law relating to the appointment and terms of office of county superintendents of schools; requiring a county board of education to appoint at a certain time a county superintendent for a term that is to begin on a certain date; providing for the appointment of an interim county superintendent; and generally relating to county superintendents of schools.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education
Section 4-201(b) and (d)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(As enacted by Chapter ____ of the Acts
of the General Assembly of 1978)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland (as enacted by Chapter ____ of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1978) be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Education

4-201.

(b). (1) [Each] IN FEBRUARY OF THE YEAR IN WHICH THE TERM OF A COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT IS TO END, THE county board shall appoint a county superintendent [in February] TO SERVE for a term of 4 years beginning on July 1 after his appointment.

(2) A county superintendent holds office until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(d) [(1) The county board shall appoint an individual to fill a vacancy in the office of county superintendent.

(2) An individual appointed to fill a vacancy serves for a full term of 4 years and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.]

IF A VACANCY OCCURS IN THE OFFICE OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT:

(1) THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL APPOINT AN INTERIM COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT WHO SERVES UNTIL JULY 1 AFTER HIS APPOINTMENT; AND

(2) IF AN INTERIM COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT IS APPOINTED, THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL APPOINT A COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT WHO BEGINS HIS TERM ON JULY 1 AFTER HIS APPOINTMENT FOR A 4-YEAR TERM AND THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT