

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

Chapter 289 of the Acts of 2002

SECTION 17. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before June 1, ~~2006~~ 2007, a consultant shall conduct a comprehensive review of the Prince George's County public school system and the New Prince George's County Board of Education (New Board). The ~~New Board~~ *Prince George's County Board of Education (Board)* and the Maryland State Department of Education shall jointly select and equally share the cost of the consultant and determine the scope of the comprehensive review. At a minimum, the comprehensive review shall evaluate both the educational and management reforms made by the New Board and shall determine whether there has been improvement in the management of and student achievement in the public schools in Prince George's County. The review may include recommendations to the General Assembly concerning the organizational structure of the Prince George's County public school system, in addition to recommendations to the ~~New~~ Board concerning modifications to the master plan adopted in accordance with this Act. The consultant shall report the findings of the evaluation to the Governor, the County Executive of Prince George's County, the ~~New~~ Board and, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.‡

SECTION 18. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the ~~New~~ Prince George's County Board and the State Board of Education shall review the findings of the comprehensive review set forth in Section 17 of this Act and shall conduct four public hearings throughout Prince George's County. On or before September 1, ~~2006~~ 2007, the ~~New~~ Prince George's County Board and State Board of Education shall report to the General Assembly the results of the public hearings and the review of the final comprehensive review, and propose to the General Assembly any changes appropriate in the management structure and levels of funding of the Prince George's County public school system.‡

Chapter 545 of the Acts of 2002

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before December 1, ~~2006~~ 2007, a consultant shall conduct a comprehensive review and evaluation of the Baltimore City-State Partnership and the reform initiatives of the Baltimore City Public School System. The Board of School Commissioners and the Maryland State Board of Education shall jointly select and equally share the cost of the consultant and determine the scope of the review. The Board of School Commissioners and the State Board shall review the findings of the comprehensive review and shall conduct four public hearings throughout Baltimore City. On or before January 15, ~~2007~~ 2008, the Board of School Commissioners and the State Board shall report to the General Assembly the results of the public hearings and the review of the comprehensive evaluation and propose to the General Assembly any changes appropriate in the management structure and levels of funding of the Baltimore City Public School System.‡

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2005.