## CHAPTER 352

## (Senate Bill 823)

AN ACT concerning

County Boards of Education - Comprehensive Liability Insurance - Self-Insurance

FOR the purpose of removing county boards of education that pool together to provide comprehensive liability insurance from the regulation of the Insurance Commissioner; providing that county boards of education that pool together to provide comprehensive liability insurance may raise the defense of sovereign immunity above a certain amount; and generally relating to the comprehensive liability insurance requirements of county boards of education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education Section 4-105 Annotated Code of Maryland (1985 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

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

## Article - Education

4-105.

- (a) Each county board shall carry comprehensive liability insurance to protect the board and its agents and employees. purchase of this insurance is a valid educational expense.
- (b) The State Board shall establish standards for these insurance policies, including a minimum liability coverage of not less than \$100,000 for each occurrence. The policies purchased under this section shall meet these standards.
- (c) (1) A county board complies with this section if it--is IT:
- (I) IS INDIVIDUALLY self-insured for at least \$100,000 for each occurrence under the rules and regulations adopted by the State Insurance Commissioner: ; OR
- POOLS WITH OTHER PUBLIC ENTITIES FOR THE (II) PURPOSE OF SELF-INSURING PROPERTY OR CASUALTY RISKS UNDER ARTICLE 48A, § 482B OF THE CODE.