

7-305.

(a) [(1) This section does not apply to:

- (i) Caroline County;
- (ii) Carroll County;
- (iii) Cecil County;
- (iv) Dorchester County;
- (v) Frederick County;
- (vi) Harford County;
- (vii) Kent County;
- (viii) Queen Anne's County;
- (ix) Somerset County;
- (x) Talbot County;
- (xi) Wicomicó County; or
- (xii) Worcester County.

(2) Notwithstanding any bylaw, rule, or regulation made or approved by the State Board, a principal, vice-principal, or other employee may not administer corporal punishment to discipline a student in a public school in the State.

[(3) The county board of each of the counties listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection may adopt rules and regulations governing the use of corporal punishment.]

(b) (1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, each county board shall adopt regulations designed to maintain within the schools under its jurisdiction the atmosphere of order and discipline necessary for effective learning.

(2) The regulations adopted by a county board under this subsection:

- (i) Shall provide for counseling or conferencing; and
- (ii) May permit suspension, expulsion, or other disciplinary measures that are deemed appropriate.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993.

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