

CHAPTER 114

(House Bill 23)

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County - Board of Education - Terms

FOR the purpose of providing for staggered terms of office for the members of the Somerset County Board of Education; specifying the terms of the initial members of the Somerset County Board of Education; and generally relating to the terms of members of the Somerset County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 3-1201

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

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

Article - Education

3-1201.

(a) The Somerset County Board shall be elected and consists of one member elected from each commissioner district in the county.

(b) (1) A member from a commissioner district shall be a resident of that district.

(2) A candidate for the County Board shall be a registered voter of the county.

(3) A member from a commissioner district who no longer resides in that district may not continue as a member of the County Board.

(c) Members of the Board shall be elected at a general election as required by subsection (d) of this section.

(d) (1) [Each] SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, EACH member serves for a term of 4 years beginning on January 1 after the member's election and until a successor is elected and qualifies.

(2) (I) THE TERMS OF MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH.

(II) 1. THE MEMBERS ELECTED AT THE 2004 ELECTION FROM COMMISSIONER DISTRICTS 1, 3, AND 5 SHALL SERVE AN INITIAL TERM OF 2 YEARS.

2. AN ELECTION SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN 2006 AND EVERY 4 YEARS THEREAFTER.