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FOR the purpose of clarifying the application of the State Open Meetings Act to certain actions of the Howard County Board of Education; clarifying that the County Board may take certain actions in a closed session in accordance with certain provisions of the State Open Meetings Act; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the clarification of the application of the State Open Meetings Act to certain actions of the Howard County Board of Education.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - Education
Section 3-704
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2001 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article - State Government
Section 10-504
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 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

3-704.

(a) The County Board shall meet at least twice each month.

(b) (1) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO THE COUNTY BOARD WHEN IT IS CARRYING OUT AN EXECUTIVE FUNCTION DESCRIBED UNDER TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 5 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

(2) Except [for those actions authorized by subsection (c) of this section] AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, all actions of the County Board shall be taken at a public meeting and a record of the meeting and all actions shall be made public.

[(c)] (3) The County Board may take actions in closed session in accordance with § 10-508 of the State Government Article[, including action to close a meeting].

Article - State Government

10-504.

Whenever this subtitle and another law that relates to meetings of public bodies conflict, this subtitle applies unless the other law is more stringent.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take