

(6) The number of children without hearing and speech-language services due to unfilled positions for audiologists and speech-language pathologists, including the average length of time the children have been without services;

(7) The cost of compensatory services and any other legal or administrative costs incurred by the local public school systems in the State for children who do not receive hearing and speech-language services; and

(8) The number of children in need of hearing and speech-language services in the local public school systems in the State.

(e) The Task Force shall make recommendations regarding:

(1) The need, if any, for audiologists and speech-language pathologists on staff in the local public school systems in the State;

(2) The need, if any, to implement methods to retain and recruit audiologists and speech-language pathologists in the public school systems in the State; and

(3) Whether the current caseloads and workloads for audiologists and speech-language pathologists need to be adjusted to increase hearing and speech-language services for children in need.

(f) On or before December 31, 2003, the Task Force shall issue a written report of its findings and recommendations to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2003. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30, 2004, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved April 22, 2003.

CHAPTER 195

(House Bill 1044)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's ~~County~~ and Calvert Counties - Alcoholic Beverages - Out-of-State Licensees

FOR the purpose of prohibiting in St. Mary's County and Calvert County the issuance of a certain license, except by way of renewal, to certain entities holding an alcoholic beverages license in any other state or Washington D.C.; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in St. Mary's County and Calvert County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,