

requiring the State Board to mediate a certain decision; establishing a certain certification requirement; requiring a public charter school to comply with certain provisions of law; authorizing a public charter school to apply for a certain waiver; prohibiting the granting of a waiver from certain provisions of law; providing for certain bargaining rights for certain employees; providing for the negotiation of certain amendments to certain collective bargaining agreements; requiring a county board to disburse a certain amount of money to a public charter school; authorizing certain boards to give educational materials, supplies, furniture, and other equipment to a public charter school; requiring county boards to develop a certain policy; establishing a certain liaison for the Program; requiring the State Department of Education to create and disseminate to each local board of education a certain model public charter school policy by a certain date; requiring the State Board of Education to submit a certain report on or before a certain date; defining certain terms; authorizing the State Board to act as the public chartering authority for restructured schools under certain circumstances; specifying certain procedures and requirements governing an application for a restructured school that seeks to become a charter school; specifying certain limitations and requirements for charter schools with regard to educational services for children with disabilities; requiring the State Board of Education to provide certain technical assistance to certain operators of charter schools; and generally relating to the Maryland Public Charter School Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with without amendments,

Article - Education

Section 6-401(e) and 6-501(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Education

Section 9-101 through ~~9-106~~ ~~9-109~~ 9-110, inclusive, to be under the new title
"Title 9. Maryland Public Charter School Program"

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

6-401.

(e) "Public school employer" means a county board of education ~~for~~ the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners, OR A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL, AS DEFINED IN TITLE 9 OF THIS ARTICLE.