

# HOUSE BILL 1100

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **School Counseling Program – Counseling Services – Requirements**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring a county board of education to require the School Counseling  
4 Program in the county to provide counseling services to students during a certain  
5 period of time; requiring the county board, in consultation with certain public  
6 schools, to determine student needs for counseling services during a certain period  
7 of time and to develop a certain plan; requiring a county board to submit a certain  
8 report to the State Department of Education on or before a certain date each year;  
9 and generally relating to requirements for counseling services for the School  
10 Counseling Program.

11 BY adding to

12 Article – Education

13 Section 7–401.1

14 Annotated Code of Maryland

15 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Education**

19 **7–401.1.**

20 **(A) (1) EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL REQUIRE THE SCHOOL**  
21 **COUNSELING PROGRAM IN THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE COUNSELING SERVICES TO**  
22 **STUDENTS DURING THE ENTIRE CALENDAR YEAR.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(2) THE COUNTY BOARD, IN CONSULTATION WITH EACH PUBLIC**  
2 **SCHOOL WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD, SHALL:**

3           **(I) DETERMINE THE STUDENT NEEDS FOR COUNSELING**  
4 **SERVICES DURING THE PERIOD OF TIME WHEN SCHOOLS ARE NOT IN SESSION FOR**  
5 **SUMMER BREAK, PRIORITIZING THE NEEDS OF AT-RISK STUDENTS; AND**

6           **(II) DEVELOP A PLAN FOR MEETING THE STUDENT NEEDS**  
7 **DETERMINED UNDER ITEM (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, INCLUDING CONSIDERATION OF**  
8 **COSTS, TRANSPORTATION, AND CONTINUITY OF CARE.**

9           **(B) ON OR BEFORE JULY 1 EACH YEAR, A COUNTY BOARD SHALL REPORT**  
10 **TO THE DEPARTMENT ON THE UTILIZATION OF THE COUNSELING SERVICES**  
11 **REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION, INCLUDING THE COSTS OF PROVIDING THE**  
12 **SERVICES.**

13           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
14 1, 2016.