

HOUSE BILL 196

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Delegate Thiam**

Requested: November 1, 2021

Introduced and read first time: January 12, 2022

Assigned to: Ways and Means

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Schools and County Boards of Education – Publication of School Library**
3 **Catalogs**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring each public school to annually provide a copy of the school's
5 library catalog to the county board of education; requiring the county board to
6 compile certain information on the public school's library catalogs and post the
7 information on the county board's website; requiring each public school to annually
8 send the parents or guardians of students who attend the school a link to where
9 certain information on the school's library catalog can be found; and generally
10 relating to the publication of public school library catalogs.

11 BY adding to
12 Article – Education
13 Section 7–106.1
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 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 **7–106.1.**

20 **(A) ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1 EACH YEAR, EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL SHALL**
21 **PROVIDE A COPY OF THE SCHOOL'S LIBRARY CATALOG TO THE COUNTY BOARD.**

22 **(B) EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL:**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(1) COMPILE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)**
2 **OF THIS SECTION; AND**

3 **(2) POST THE INFORMATION ON THE COUNTY BOARD'S WEBSITE.**

4 **(C) (1) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 15 EACH YEAR, EACH PUBLIC**
5 **SCHOOL SHALL SEND THE PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF STUDENTS WHO ATTEND**
6 **THE SCHOOL A LINK TO THE LOCATION ON THE COUNTY BOARD'S WEBSITE WHERE**
7 **THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION CAN BE**
8 **FOUND.**

9 **(2) THE LINK TO THE WEBSITE MAY BE SENT ELECTRONICALLY, SENT**
10 **HOME WITH STUDENTS, OR MAILED TO PARENTS OR GUARDIANS.**

11 **(D) EACH COUNTY BOARD SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS**
12 **SECTION.**

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
14 1, 2022.