

# HOUSE BILL 440

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EMERGENCY BILL

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By: **Delegate Kaiser**

Introduced and read first time: January 29, 2010

Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education – Teachers – National Board Certified Teacher Pilot Program**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain teachers to have certain certification under  
4 certain circumstances; altering certain reporting dates; requiring the State to  
5 include the funding of a certain pilot program as part of the State's application  
6 to the United States Department of Education for the Race to the Top Fund;  
7 repealing, as of a certain date, provisions establishing a certain pilot program;  
8 providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act; making  
9 this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the National Board  
10 Certified Teacher Pilot Program.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article – Education  
13 Section 6–118  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

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17 Article – Education  
18 Section 6–118  
19 Annotated Code of Maryland  
20 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)  
21 (As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

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

24 **Article – Education**

25 6–118.

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



- 1 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.
- 2 (2) “NBC teacher” means a teacher who is certified by the National  
3 Board for Professional Teaching Standards.
- 4 (3) “Program” means the National Board Certified Teacher Pilot  
5 Program.
- 6 (4) “Eligible school” means a Maryland public school that is a:
- 7 (i) Title I school; or
- 8 (ii) School identified for school improvement, corrective action,  
9 or restructuring under the accountability regulations of the State Board.
- 10 (b) There is a National Board Certified Teacher Pilot Program in the State.
- 11 (c) (1) To participate in the Program an eligible school in the State must  
12 have at least three teachers who have:
- 13 (i) Agreed to pursue certification by the National Board for  
14 Professional Teaching Standards; and
- 15 (ii) Signed a letter of intent to teach at the school for 3 years.
- 16 (2) (i) The State Superintendent shall select three public school  
17 systems to participate in the Program for a period of 3 years.
- 18 (ii) In consultation with the respective county board, the State  
19 Superintendent shall select five eligible schools from among the school systems  
20 selected to participate in the Program.
- 21 (3) (i) **[A county board shall give preference to an NBC teacher in**  
22 **employing a staff development teacher at an eligible school] IF A COUNTY BOARD**  
23 **EMPLOYS A STAFF DEVELOPMENT TEACHER AT AN ELIGIBLE SCHOOL, THE**  
24 **STAFF DEVELOPMENT TEACHER MUST BE AN NBC TEACHER.**
- 25 (ii) The State may reimburse the county board for the board’s  
26 cost of employing one staff development teacher at an eligible school, not to exceed  
27 \$62,000 annually.
- 28 (4) Candidates for National Board certification under this subsection  
29 shall be included in the State and local aid program for certification by the National  
30 Board of Professional Teaching Standards established under § 6–112 of this subtitle.
- 31 (d) **[For fiscal years 2008 through 2010, the Governor shall include in the**  
32 **annual budget submission \$320,000 for the Program.**



1                   (3)   (i)    If a county board employs a staff development teacher at an  
2 eligible school, the staff development teacher must be an NBC teacher.

3                               (ii)   The State may reimburse the county board for the board's  
4 cost of employing one staff development teacher at an eligible school, not to exceed  
5 \$62,000 annually.

6                   (4)   Candidates for National Board certification under this subsection  
7 shall be included in the State and local aid program for certification by the National  
8 Board of Professional Teaching Standards established under § 6-112 of this subtitle.

9                   (d)    The State Board shall adopt regulations to implement and administer the  
10 Program established under this section.

11                   (e)    On or before October 1 of the years 2008 through 2013, the Department  
12 shall submit a report to the General Assembly, in accordance with  
13 § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the effectiveness of the Program.]

14                   SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State shall include  
15 the funding of the National Board Certified Teacher Pilot Program under § 6-118 of  
16 the Education Article as part of the State's application to the United States  
17 Department of Education for the Race to the Top Fund, authorized under the  
18 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

19                   SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act  
20 shall take effect July 1, 2014.

21                   SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency  
22 measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety,  
23 has been passed by a ye and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members  
24 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly and, except as provided in  
25 Section 4 of this Act, shall take effect from the date it is enacted.