# Chapter 347

(House Bill 9)

#### AN ACT concerning

## Education - Children and Youth - Reporting of Information Concerning Student Health, Well-Being, and Growth

FOR the purpose of requiring each county superintendent of schools to report certain information concerning certain matters relating to student growth, health, and well-being to the State Superintendent of Schools on or before a certain date each year; requiring the State Department of Education, at certain intervals beginning on or before a certain date, to report certain information to the Governor and the General Assembly concerning certain matters relating to student growth, health, and well-being on or before a certain date each year; encouraging county boards of education to incorporate certain lessons into the county boards' health education curriculum; and generally relating to the reporting of information relating to children and youth in educational programs and schools in the State.

### BY adding to

Article – Education Section 4–111.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (2008 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Education Section 7–401 and 7–411.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (2008 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

#### **Article - Education**

#### 4-111.1.

(A) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR, EACH COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT SHALL REPORT TO THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PERSONAL FINANCIAL LITERACY STATE CURRICULUM IN THE COUNTY.

(B) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR DECEMBER 1, 2012, AND EVERY 5 YEARS THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2–1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION REPORTED TO THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DURING THE FINANCIAL LITERACY COMAR CERTIFICATION PROCESS.

7-401.

- (a) With the assistance of the county health department, each county board shall provide:
  - (1) Adequate school health services;
- (2) Instruction in health education, including INFORMATION CONCERNING:
  - (I) DIABETES AND ITS TREATMENT AND PREVENTION; AND
- (II) [the] THE importance of physical activity in maintaining good health, INCLUDING THWARTING AND CONTROLLING DIABETES; and
- (2) <u>Instruction in health education, including the importance of physical activity in maintaining good health; and</u>
  - (3) A healthful school environment.
- (b) The Department of Education and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene jointly shall:
- (1) Develop public standards and guidelines for school health programs; and
- (2) Offer assistance to the county boards and county health departments in their implementation.
- (c) (1) (i) Each county board shall designate a school health services program coordinator.
- (ii) A county board may authorize the county health department to designate the school health services program coordinator.
  - (2) The school health services program coordinator shall:

- (i) Implement State and local health policies in the public schools;
- (ii) Ensure that public schools adhere to local health services guidelines; and
- (iii) Communicate State and local health policies to the parents and guardians of public school students.
- (3) The county board shall grant the school health services program coordinator the authority to carry out the provisions of this subsection.
- (4) The Department of Education shall conduct at least two meetings annually with all school health services program coordinators in the State.
- (D) (1) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR, EACH COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT SHALL REPORT TO THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HEALTH EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.
- (2) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR DECEMBER 1, 2012 2015, AND EVERY 5 YEARS THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2–1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION REPORTED TO THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DURING THE COMAR CERTIFICATION PROCESS.

#### 7-411.1.

- (A) The State Board shall encourage the county boards to incorporate age—appropriate lessons on dating violence <u>AND DIABETES AND ITS TREATMENT AND PREVENTION</u> into the county boards' health education curriculum.
- (B) (1) ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR, EACH COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT SHALL REPORT TO THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AGE-APPROPRIATE LESSONS ON DATING VIOLENCE IN THE HEALTH EDUCATION CURRICULUM IN THE COUNTY.
- (2) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR DECEMBER 1, 2012 2015, AND EVERY 5 YEARS THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND, SUBJECT TO § 2–1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION REPORTED TO THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT UNDER

# PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION DURING THE COMAR CERTIFICATION PROCESS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

Approved by the Governor, May 2, 2012.