

SENATE BILL 266

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By: **Senator Watson**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports – Membership –**
3 **Alteration**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Maryland Consortium on Coordinated
5 Community Supports to include a school counselor certified by the State Department
6 of Education; and generally relating to the Maryland Consortium on Coordinated
7 Community Supports.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Education
10 Section 7–447.1(d) and (e)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2022 Replacement Volume)

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

15 **Article – Education**

16 7–447.1.

17 (d) The Consortium consists of:

18 (1) The following members representing government agencies:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



- 1 (i) The Secretary of Health, or the Secretary's designee;
- 2 (ii) The Secretary of Human Services, or the Secretary's designee;
- 3 (iii) The Secretary of Juvenile Services, or the Secretary's designee;
- 4 (iv) The State Superintendent of Schools, or the State
5 Superintendent's designee;
- 6 (v) The Chair of the Commission, or the Chair's designee;
- 7 (vi) The Director of Community Schools in the [State] Department
8 [of Education], or the Director's designee;
- 9 (vii) One member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the
10 President of the Senate; and
- 11 (viii) One member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker
12 of the House;
- 13 (2) The following members representing other organizations and entities:
- 14 (i) One member of the Maryland Council on Advancement of
15 School-Based Health Centers, appointed by the Chair of the Council;
- 16 (ii) One county superintendent of schools, designated by the Public
17 School Superintendents Association of Maryland;
- 18 (iii) One member of a county board of education, designated by the
19 Maryland Association of Boards of Education;
- 20 (iv) One teacher who is teaching in the State, designated by the
21 Maryland State Education Association;
- 22 (v) One social worker practicing at a school in the State, designated
23 by the Maryland Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers;
- 24 (vi) One psychologist practicing in a school in the State, designated
25 by the Maryland School Psychologists Association;
- 26 (vii) One representative of nonprofit hospitals, designated by the
27 Maryland Hospital Association;
- 28 (viii) One member of the Commission, designated by the Chair of the
29 Commission; [and]

1 (ix) One representative of the Maryland Medical Assistance
2 Program, designated by the Secretary of Health; AND

3 (x) ONE SCHOOL COUNSELOR CERTIFIED BY THE
4 DEPARTMENT UNDER TITLE 6, SUBTITLE 7 OF THIS ARTICLE, DESIGNATED BY THE
5 MARYLAND SCHOOL COUNSELOR ASSOCIATION;

6 (3) The following members appointed by the Governor:

7 (i) One representative of the behavioral health community with
8 expertise in telehealth;

9 (ii) One representative of local departments of social services; and

10 (iii) One representative of local departments of health; and

11 (4) The following members appointed jointly by the President of the Senate
12 and the Speaker of the House:

13 (i) One individual with expertise in creating a positive classroom
14 environment;

15 (ii) One individual with expertise in equity in education; and

16 (iii) Two members of the public.

17 (e) (1) This subsection applies only to the members appointed under
18 subsection (d)(2), (3), and (4) of this section.

19 (2) A member serves for a term of 4 years beginning on the date of the
20 member's appointment and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

21 (3) A member may not serve for more than two consecutive terms.

22 (4) The terms of the members are staggered as required by the terms of the
23 members serving on the Consortium on July 1, **[2022] 2023**.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the term of the initial school
25 counselor member of the Maryland Consortium on Coordinated Community Supports,
26 designated under § 7-447.1(d)(2)(x) of the Education Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this
27 Act, shall expire in 2026.

28 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
29 1, 2023.