

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2019 Legislative Session

Legislative day # 9

RESOLUTION NO. 108 - 2019

Introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION calling on the Maryland State Department of Education to contract for a performance audit of the Howard County Public School System and specifying the issues requested to be studied.

Introduced and read first time on _____, 2019.

By order _____
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

Read for a second time and a public hearing held on _____, 2019.

By order _____
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted ____, Adopted with amendments ____, Failed ____, Withdrawn ____ by the County Council on _____, 2019.

Certified by _____
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

Approved by the County Executive on _____, 2019.

Calvin Ball, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing language; TEXT IN ALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing language. ~~Strike out~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

1 **WHEREAS**, Section 5-110 of the Education Article of the Maryland Code provides that the
2 County governing body may request that the Maryland State Department of Education contract for a
3 performance audit of the county public school system; and
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5 **WHEREAS**, the County Council believes that an assessment of the practices of the Howard
6 County Public School System is needed to determine whether the School System is operating
7 economically and efficiently and to determine whether corrective actions for improving its performance
8 are appropriate.
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10 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County,
11 Maryland this _____ day of _____, 2019, that the County Council requests that the
12 Maryland State Department of Education contract for a performance audit of the Howard County
13 Public School System to study the following issues:

- 14 1. Legal fees and payments to and the use of outside counsel;
- 15 2. Procurement process;
- 16 3. Vendor payments/invoices;
- 17 4. Administration staffing levels and salaries;
- 18 5. Fund balance levels; and
- 19 6. Outsourced activities.

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21 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Administrator to the County Council shall send
22 a copy of this Resolution to the:

23 Maryland State Department of Education
24 200 West Baltimore Street
25 Baltimore, MD 21201