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County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2016 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 7

Bill No. 36-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT to establish a Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities; providing for the membership, officers, and staffing of the Commission; setting forth the requirement to meet; providing for the purpose and responsibilities of the Commission; providing the expiration dates of the terms of the initial members of the Commission; and generally relating to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

Introduced and read first time June 6, 2016. Ordered posted and hearing scheduled.

By order Jessica Feldmark
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Having been posted and notice of time & place of hearing & title of Bill having been published according to Charter, the Bill was read for a second time at a public hearing on June 20, 2016.

By order Jessica Feldmark
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

This Bill was read the third time on July 8, 2016 and Passed Passed with amendments Failed

By order Jessica Feldmark
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 11th day of July, 2016 at 10:15 a.m./p.m.

By order Jessica Feldmark
Jessica Feldmark, Administrator

Approved Vetoed by the County Executive July 11, 2016

Allan H. Kittleman
Allan H. Kittleman, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN SMALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

1 *Section 1. Be It Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland, that the Howard*
2 *County Code is amended as follows:*

- 3 1. *By adding Section 6.343 "Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities" to:*
4 *Title 6. County Executive and the Executive Branch.*
- 5 2. *By adding Subtitle 19 "Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities" to:*
6 *Title 12, Health and Social Services.*

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8 **Title 6. County Executive and the Executive Branch.**

9 **Subtitle 3. Boards and Commissions.**

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11 **6.343. COMMISSION FOR TRANSITIONING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES.**

12 THERE IS A COMMISSION FOR TRANSITIONING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES. ITS MEMBERSHIP,
13 DUTIES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES ARE SET FORTH IN SUBTITLE 19, "COMMISSION FOR TRANSITIONING
14 STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES," OF TITLE 12, "HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES," OF THIS CODE.

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16 **Title 12. Health and Social Services.**

17 **SUBTITLE 19. COMMISSION FOR TRANSITIONING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES.**

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19 **SECTION 12.1900. COMMISSION FOR TRANSITIONING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES;**
20 **GENERAL PROVISIONS; PURPOSE.**

21 (A) *GENERAL PROVISIONS.* THERE IS A HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSION FOR TRANSITIONING
22 STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES. GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE COMMISSION FOR
23 TRANSITIONING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES ARE SET FORTH IN SUBTITLE 3, "BOARDS AND
24 COMMISSIONS," OF TITLE 6, "COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH" OF THIS CODE.

25 (B) *PURPOSE.* THE PURPOSE OF THE COMMISSION IS TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON WAYS TO
26 ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE, EFFICIENT, AND COMPREHENSIVE DELIVERY OF SERVICES THAT WILL
27 MOST SUCCESSFULLY MEET THE TRANSITION NEEDS OF HOWARD COUNTY STUDENTS WITH
28 DISABILITIES, AND TO IMPROVE STUDENT OUTCOMES THROUGH EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT AS
29 THEY TRANSITION FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT.

30 (C) *DEFINITIONS.* FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBTITLE, HCPSS MEANS THE HOWARD COUNTY PUBLIC

1 SCHOOL SYSTEM.

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3 **SECTION 12.1901. MEMBERSHIP.**

4 (A) *NUMBER OF MEMBERS.* THE COMMISSION SHALL CONSIST OF A MINIMUM OF 22 MEMBERS AND
5 A MAXIMUM OF 30 MEMBERS.

6 (B) *QUALIFICATIONS.* ALL MEMBERS SHALL EITHER RESIDE OR WORK IN HOWARD COUNTY.

7 (C) *MEMBERSHIP.* THE COMMISSION SHALL BE COMPRISED OF THE FOLLOWING:

8 (1) EX OFFICIO MEMBERS:

9 (i) PROGRAM HEAD, TRANSITION SERVICES, HCPSS;

10 (ii) INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITATOR, SECONDARY EDUCATION, HCPSS;

11 (iii) COORDINATOR, CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION, HCPSS;

12 (iv) TRANSITION SPECIALIST, HCPSS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SPECIAL
13 EDUCATION AND STUDENT SERVICES;

14 (v) PARENT COORDINATOR, HCPSS;

15 (vi) COORDINATOR, SCHOOL COUNSELING SERVICES, HCPSS;

16 (vii) MANAGER, TEACHER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION, HCPSS;

17 (viii) DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND SERVICES,
18 HOWARD COUNTY GOVERNMENT;

19 (ix) ADA COORDINATOR, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND
20 SERVICES, HOWARD COUNTY GOVERNMENT;

21 (x) ADMINISTRATOR, OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES, HOWARD COUNTY
22 GOVERNMENT;

23 (xi) ADMINISTRATOR, OFFICE OF WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT, HOWARD
24 COUNTY GOVERNMENT;

25 (xii) ADMINISTRATOR, OFFICE OF HUMAN RIGHTS, HOWARD COUNTY
26 GOVERNMENT;

27 (xiii) ADMINISTRATOR, DIVISION OF REHABILITATION SERVICES, REGION V,
28 STATE OF MARYLAND;

29 (xiv) REPRESENTATIVE, RESOURCE COORDINATION PROVIDERS; AND

30 (xv) REPRESENTATIVE, HOWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE; AND

1 (XVI) MANAGER, THERAPEUTIC RECREATION, DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND
2 PARKS, HOWARD COUNTY GOVERNMENT; AND

3 (2) APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR:

4 (I) TWO REPRESENTATIVES, HOWARD COUNTY BUSINESS COMMUNITY;

5 (II) THREE PARENT REPRESENTATIVES;

6 (III) AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY; AND

7 (IV) UP TO EIGHT COMMUNITY MEMBERS INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING THE
8 COMMISSION AND ITS WORK.

9 (D) *COMMISSION CHAIRPERSON*. THE COMMISSION SHALL BE CHAIRED JOINTLY BY A
10 REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION, HOWARD COUNTY PUBLIC
11 SCHOOL SYSTEM, AND A FAMILY MEMBER OF A STUDENT WITH A DISABILITY.

12 (E) *METHOD OF APPOINTMENT*. EACH APPOINTED MEMBER SHALL BE APPOINTED BY
13 THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AND CONFIRMED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

14 ~~(F) *EXECUTIVE SECRETARY*. THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE SHALL DESIGNATE A COUNTY EMPLOYEE TO
15 SERVE AS EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION AND ATTEND ALL MEETINGS.~~

16 (F) *STAFFING*. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND SERVICES SHALL PROVIDE
17 STAFFING FOR THE COMMISSION.

18 (G) *MEETINGS*. THE COMMISSION SHALL MEET AT LEAST QUARTERLY.

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20 **SECTION 12.1902. GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.**

21 (A) *IN GENERAL* THE HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSION FOR TRANSITIONING STUDENTS WITH
22 DISABILITIES MAY:

23 (1) ADVOCATE FOR POLICY ON BEHALF OF STUDENTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL,
24 INTELLECTUAL, AND/OR PHYSICAL DISABILITIES;

25 (2) EXAMINE CURRENT PRACTICES AND ~~EXPLORE~~ MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON WAYS
26 TO IMPROVE POSTSECONDARY OUTCOMES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
27 ~~REQUIRING CUSTOMIZED EMPLOYMENT~~;

28 (3) ~~DEVELOP~~ MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WOULD FACILITATE SUCCESSFUL
29 CUSTOMIZED EMPLOYMENT AND POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION FOR STUDENTS
30 EXITING THE HOWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM; AND

1 ~~(4) — FACILITATE SYSTEMIC COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE HOWARD COUNTY PUBLIC~~
2 ~~SCHOOL SYSTEM, THE HOWARD COUNTY GOVERNMENT, PRIVATE INDUSTRY,~~
3 ~~ADULT SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND THE FAMILIES OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES.~~

4 (4) FOSTER GREATER COLLABORATION BETWEEN BUSINESS, ACADEMIC, NON-PROFIT,
5 AND PUBLIC SECTORS TO ENGAGE IN SUCCESSFUL INITIATIVES DESIGNED TO
6 IMMERSE STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES IN A WORK ENVIRONMENT AND PROVIDE
7 IMPORTANT JOB SKILLS.

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9 **SECTION 12.1903. ANNUAL REPORT.**

10 ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31 OF EACH YEAR, THE COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT
11 TO THE COUNTY COUNCIL AND THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ON ITS ACTIVITIES DURING THE PREVIOUS
12 CALENDAR YEAR. THE REPORT MAY INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS ON ANY MATTER RELATED TO
13 THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION.

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15 *Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland that,*
16 *to establish the stagger of terms required by § 6.300 of the Howard County Code, of the initial*
17 *appointees to the Commission, 2 appointees shall have a term of 1 year, 3 appointees shall have*
18 *a term of 2 years, 3 appointees shall have a term of 3 years, 3 appointees shall have a term of 4*
19 *years, and 3 appointees shall have a term of 5 years, as provided in the Resolutions that confirm*
20 *the appointments.*

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22 *Section 3. And Be It Further Enacted by the County Council of Howard County, Maryland that*
23 *this Act shall become effective 61 days after its enactment.*

Amendment 1 to Council Bill No. 36-2016

**BY: The Chairperson at the
request of the County Executive**

**Legislative Day No. 8
Date: July 8, 2016**

Amendment No. 1

(This amendment:

- 1. Corrects the name of a position;*
- 2. Clarifies that the Director of the Department of Community Resources and Services, or the Director's designee, shall serve as the Executive Secretary for the Commission; and*
- 3. Clarifies the purpose, powers and duties of the Commission.)*

1 On page 1, in line 25, before "ESTABLISH" insert "MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON WAYS TO".

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3 On page 1, strike beginning with ", AND" in line 27 down through and including "EMPLOYMENT"
4 in line 28 and substitute "AS THEY TRANSITION FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO POST-SECONDARY
5 EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT".

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7 On page 2, in line 11, strike "TRANSITION SPECIALIST, HCPSS" and substitute "EXECUTIVE
8 DIRECTOR, SPECIAL EDUCATION AND STUDENT SERVICES".

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10 On page 3, in line 12, strike "~~COUNTY EXECUTIVE SHALL DESIGNATE A COUNTY EMPLOYEE TO~~"
11 and substitute "DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND SERVICES OR
12 THE DIRECTOR'S DESIGNEE SHALL".

13 On page 3, strike lines 12 through 13, inclusive and in their entirety and substitute:

14 "(F) STAFFING. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND SERVICES SHALL PROVIDE
15 STAFFING FOR THE COMMISSION."

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17 On page 3, in line 21, strike "EXPLORE" and substitute "MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON".

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1 On page 3, in line 22, strike “REQUIRING CUSTOMIZED”.

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3 On page 3, in line 23, strike “EMPLOYMENT”.

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5 On page 3, in line 24, strike “DEVELOP” and substitute “MAKE”.

6 On page 3, strike lines 27 through 29, inclusive and in their entirety and substitute:

7 “(4) FOSTER GREATER COLLABORATION BETWEEN BUSINESS, ACADEMIC, NON-PROFIT, AND
8 PUBLIC SECTORS TO ENGAGE IN SUCCESSFUL INITIATIVES DESIGNED TO IMMERSE STUDENTS
9 WITH DISABILITIES IN A WORK ENVIRONMENT AND PROVIDE IMPORTANT JOB SKILLS.”.

ADOPTED 7/8/16
FAILED _____
SIGNATURE Jessica Edward

Amendment 1 to Amendment 1 to Council Bill No. 36-2016

BY: The Chairperson at the
request of the County Executive

Legislative Day No. 8
Date: July 8, 2016

Amendment No. 1 to Amendment No. 1

(This amendment corrects who will serve as Executive Secretary to the Commission.)

- 1 On page 1, strike lines 10 through 12, inclusive and in their entirety and substitute:
- 2 “On page 3, strike lines 12 through 13, inclusive and in their entirety and substitute:
- 3 “(F) STAFFING. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES AND SERVICES SHALL PROVIDE
- 4 STAFFING FOR THE COMMISSION.””.

ADOPTED 7/8/16
FAILED
SIGNATURE [Signature]

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, stands enacted on July 11, 2016.



Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been passed by the yeas and nays of two-thirds of the members of the Council notwithstanding the objections of the Executive, stands enacted on _____, 2016.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having received neither the approval nor the disapproval of the Executive within ten days of its presentation, stands enacted on _____, 2016.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, not having been considered on final reading within the time required by Charter, stands failed for want of consideration on _____, 2016.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been disapproved by the Executive and having failed on passage upon consideration by the Council stands failed on _____, 2016.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, the withdrawal of which received a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Council, is withdrawn from further consideration on _____, 2016.

Jessica Feldmark, Administrator to the County Council