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House Bill 325 (Delegate Guyton)
Ways and Means

Education - Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board - Composition

This bill alters the composition of the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board (PSTEB) by adding an additional member of the Maryland Association of Nonpublic Special Education Facilities (MANSEF), as chosen by the Governor from a list of nominees provided by MANSEF. The bill also removes the requirement that one Board member be a certified nonpublic school classroom teacher, as chosen by the Governor from a list of nominees provided by the Association of Independent Schools. **The bill takes effect July 1, 2026.**

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: None. The bill's changes do not have an operational or fiscal impact on the State. Revenues are not affected.

Local Effect: None. The bill does not affect local government finances or operations.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: PSTEB consists of 25 regular members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. In making appointments to PSTEB, the Governor must ensure the Board is representative of the various geographic regions of the State and of minority populations of the State.

Each regular member serves for a staggered three-year term and until a successor is appointed. A member who is appointed after a term has begun may only serve for the

remainder of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies. The Board must annually elect a chairman from among its members, and a majority of the Board then serving on the Board is a quorum. The Governor may remove a member from the Board for incompetence or misconduct, and the staff for the Board must be provided by the State Board of Education.

Among the regular members, the Governor must appoint one certified nonpublic school classroom teacher, chosen from a list of nominees provided by the Association of Independent Schools. The Governor also must appoint one member of MANSEF, chosen from a list of nominees provided by MANSEF.

Additional Information

Recent Prior Introductions: Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

Designated Cross File: None.

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