

Chapter 496

(Senate Bill 334)

AN ACT concerning

**County Boards of Education – Appointment to Fill a Vacancy of an Elected Member – Candidate Information Requests**

FOR the purpose of requiring ~~a county board of education~~ a certain appointing authority, on request, to provide a list of the names of the candidates to fill a vacancy of an elected member of a county board of education in a certain manner; defining a certain term; and generally relating to candidate information requests regarding appointments to fill a vacancy of an elected member of a county board.

BY adding to

Article – Education

Section 4–135

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2018 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

**Article – Education**

**4–135.**

**(A) IN THIS SECTION, “APPOINTING AUTHORITY” MEANS THE INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY THAT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR APPOINTING A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL TO FILL A VACANCY OF AN ELECTED MEMBER OF A COUNTY BOARD.**

**(B) ON REQUEST, ~~A COUNTY BOARD~~ AN APPOINTING AUTHORITY SHALL PROVIDE A LIST OF THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES FOR A VACANCY OF AN ELECTED MEMBER OF A COUNTY BOARD:**

**(1) TO THE INDIVIDUAL MAKING THE REQUEST; OR**

**(2) BY PUBLICATION ON THE WEBSITE OF THE ~~COUNTY BOARD~~ APPOINTING AUTHORITY.**

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

**Approved by the Governor, May 13, 2019.**