

# SENATE BILL 955

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By: **Senator Benson**

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Assigned to: Rules

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland School for the Deaf – Professional Personnel and Staff – Service**  
3 **Designation, Assignment, and Placement in a Collective Bargaining Unit**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing that professional personnel and staff employed by the  
5 Maryland School for the Deaf are in the professional and skilled services of the State  
6 Personnel Management System; requiring that the Secretary of Budget and  
7 Management assign the professional personnel and staff to the professional and  
8 skilled services of the State Personnel Management System and to certain  
9 bargaining units; requiring that the professional personnel and staff suffer no  
10 diminution of pay or benefits; and generally relating to professional personnel and  
11 staff of the Maryland School for the Deaf.

12 BY adding to  
13 Article – Education  
14 Section 8–3A–04(l)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2018 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

19 **Article – Education**

20 8–3A–04.

21 **(L) PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL AND STAFF EMPLOYED BY THE MARYLAND**  
22 **SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF ARE IN THE PROFESSIONAL AND SKILLED SERVICES IN THE**  
23 **STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.**

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 provision of law, before December 31, 2022, the Secretary of Budget and Management shall  
2 assign all professional personnel and staff classifications and positions of the Maryland  
3 School for the Deaf to the professional and skilled services in the State Personnel  
4 Management System, and the Secretary shall assign all positions in the professional and  
5 skilled services, except for faculty at the Maryland School for the Deaf, to bargaining unit  
6 A, B, C, D, F, or H.

7 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding any other  
8 provision of law, an employee of the Maryland School for the Deaf:

9 (1) migrated to the State Personnel Management System or assigned to a  
10 bargaining unit by the Secretary of Budget and Management shall suffer no diminution of  
11 pay or benefits resulting from the migration or assignment; and

12 (2) in the course of a migration for assignment, may be placed on a new  
13 salary schedule only at a grade and step that results in a greater annual rate of pay.

14 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
15 1, 2022.