

# HOUSE BILL 35

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By: **Delegate Conaway**

Requested: June 16, 2016

Introduced and read first time: January 11, 2017

Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City Public School System – Daily Attendance – Requirements**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners to  
4 establish a certain method of taking daily student attendance; providing for the  
5 application of this Act; and generally relating to attendance policies in Baltimore  
6 City public schools.

7 BY adding to

8 Article – Education

9 Section 7–311

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Education**

15 **7–311.**

16 **(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY IN BALTIMORE CITY.**

17 **(B) THE BALTIMORE CITY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS SHALL**  
18 **ESTABLISH A METHOD OF TAKING DAILY STUDENT ATTENDANCE THAT:**

19 **(1) MARKS ALL STUDENTS AS ABSENT BY DEFAULT; AND**

20 **(2) REQUIRES A TEACHER TO AFFIRMATIVELY MARK A STUDENT AS**  
21 **PRESENT.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
2 1, 2017.